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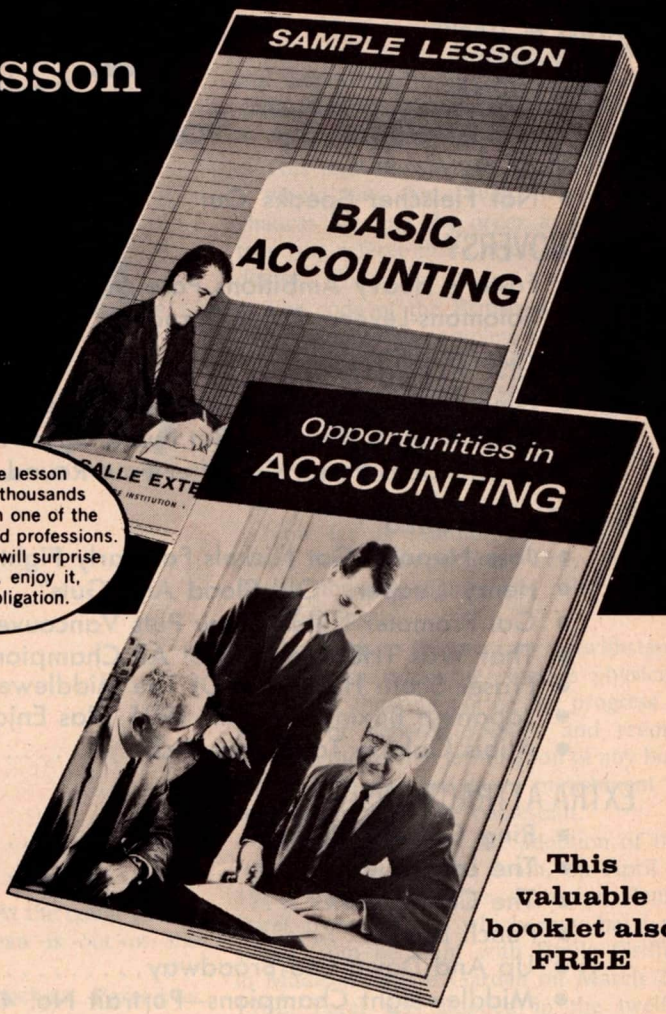

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Speaks Out !!!

FLEISCHER

BILL MILLER, who promotes fights in Las Vegas, raised a moot point recently when he appealed to the Nevada Commission to divest referees of the right to stop a bout, and to give it to the ring doctors.

Miller insisted that the third men were exceeding their authority and were stopping fights without reason for these cessations of hostilities.

He said that within a period of eight weeks, referees in Las Vegas had ended five bouts which should have been permitted to continue.

The Nevada Commission took cognizance of the Miller protest and reaffirmed its stand in favor of giving the referee the sole right to call a halt.

Commission Chairman Don Diglio, backing the third man, said that to send a referee into a ring minus sole authority would be like sending a cop after a burglar minus a gun.

Former welterweight champion Jackie Fields, a Commissioner, voted for giving the stoppage right to the house doctor. He did concede that some fights were halted too soon.

In any event, the referees won, and now there is general discussion of the subject wherever there is regulated boxing.

Let's take a look at the reasons which might impel a referee to halt the action, calling for knowledge beyond a doctor's discernment:

(1) A knockout. At the count of ten, the beaten man is out of the fight.

(2) A technical knockout. Forced by a cut eye or other dangerous laceration about the head, or failure of the beaten man to be in a position to protect himself. Illness also may force a halt. So would asphyxiation, after swallowing the rubber mouth-piece.

(3) Disqualification for a low blow, an intentional damaging butt, failure to respect repeated calls to break, and delivering a pivot blow, a kidney punch, or punching while holding.

(4) Invoking the three knockdowns in one round rule in states, like New York, which have this regulation.

(5) Exercise of the referee's stoppage authority if he finds reason to call "No Contest" because both boxers refuse to turn on any action, or he suspects evidence of collusion.

We will note that the ring doctor could be a valuable judge of time for stoppage only under Point 2, and under that point, medical opinion as to the dangers presented by an eye cut or other gory facial lacerations.

In other words, to give to the official medico the right, taken from the referee, to stop a fight, even if the loser be on the receiving end too emphatically, would appear to be a disservice to boxing.

However, under the rules of the WBA, the doctor, and not the referee, stops a fight. The medico orders the timekeeper to strike the gong twice, and that is that.

This regulation is not always respected. I would say that, even in the WBA, chances are that the order to stop comes from the referee more often than from the doctor.

The code of the British Board of Boxing Control gives complete authority to the referee. He is not forced to consult the doctor or any non-professional representative of the Board. The referee says, "Stop fighting" and that's the end. No matter what, you don't stop to argue with him. He is the king in the ring.

Now let us examine the rules of the New York Commission. They give the doctor powerful rights. The rule, adopted in 1964, says:

"Anything to the contrary notwithstanding in these rules, the ringside physician may enter the ring during the progress of a bout or between rounds, and recommend to the referee termination of any boxing bout to prevent severe punishment or serious injury to the contestant."

The big reason for the adoption of this rule doubtless was the death, on April 3, 1962, of former welter champion Benny Paret from injuries which may have resulted from his fight with Emile Griffith in Madison Square Garden on March 24, 1962. Paret was stopped in the twelfth round.

In Thailand, the referee has the power to call a TKO. However, if the doctor feels that the fight has gone too far he may over-ride the third man and order the bout stopped.

In Japan, the referee is the sole authority when it comes to stopping a fight. The ring doctor is seldom in evidence.

The rules of the European Boxing Union make the referee the sole judge concerning a fighter's fitness to continue.

The rules of the Miami Beach Commission also give autocratic rights to the referee. But the club physician is in the immediate background, to be consulted.

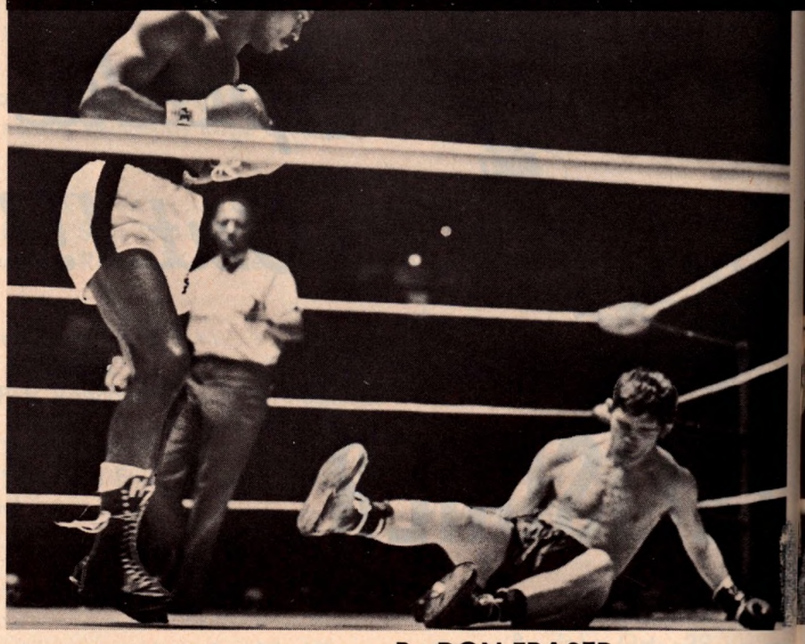
In Massachusetts, the referee has the right to stop a fight. But the doctor is available for professional advice.

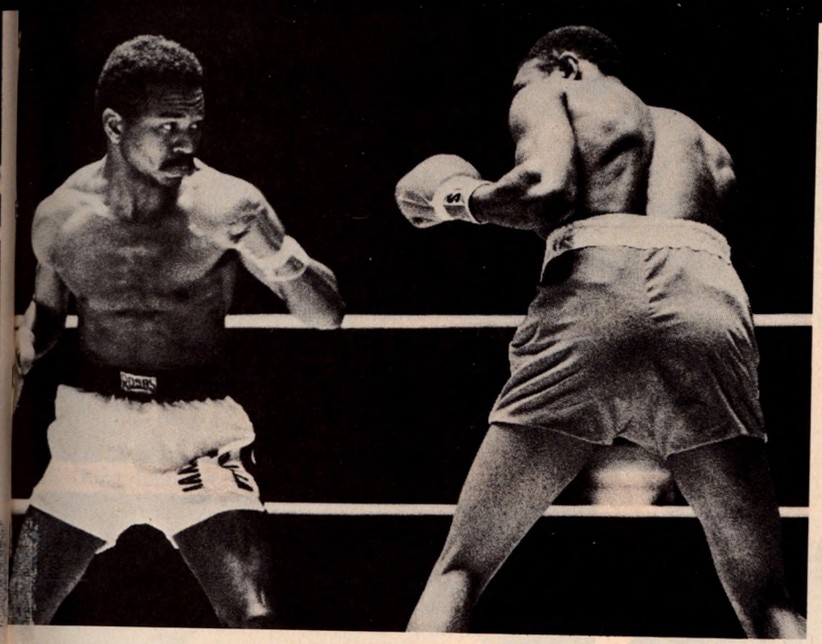
What does it all come to? It is increased concerned for an injured, beaten boxer, and recognition of the fact that consideration for the fighter transcends consideration for the fight itself and the promotion.

It means that, as never before in the history of boxing, the ring doctor is an important official, a part, and a vital one, of the machinery for holding and judging a bout, and protecting the boxers, the public, and the sport of boxing.

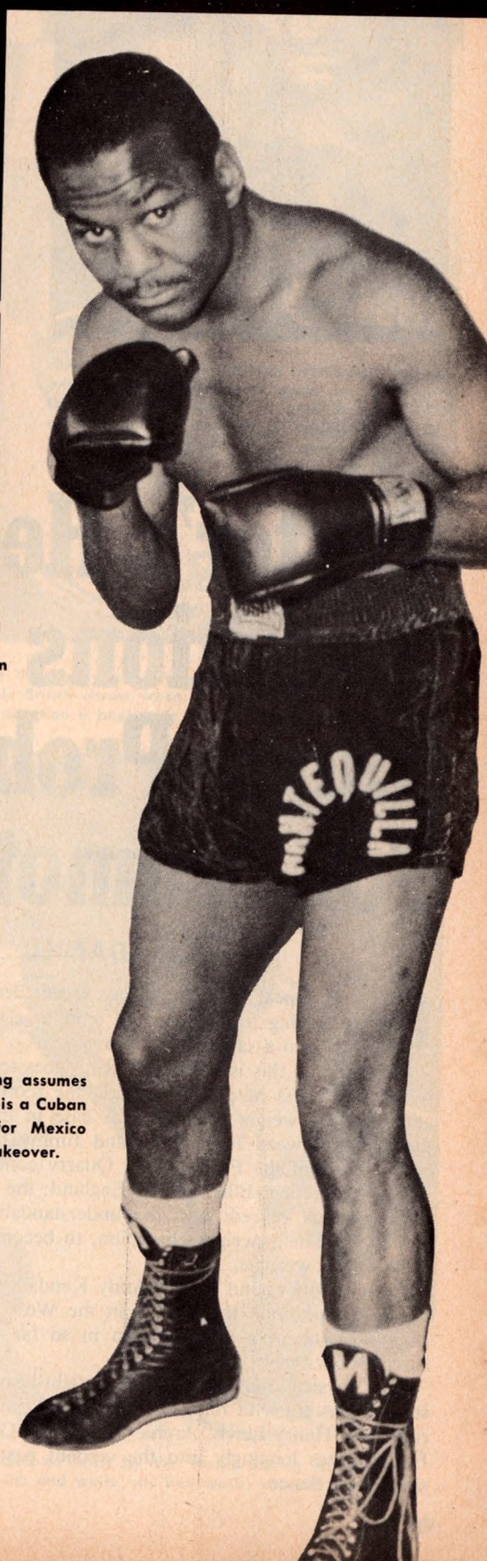
Jose Napoles Got Nickels For Early Fights

(Above) Welterweight king Jose Napoles has a little fun with comedian Jan Murray. (Right) Napoles' punching power asserted itself in this knockdown of Des Rea in the first round of their bout last November. Jose knocked out the Irishman in the fifth.





Napoles (left) studies Curtis Cokes during the first round of their title bout at the Inglewood Forum in which Jose captured the title by stopping Cokes in 13 rounds.



The welterweight king assumes his fighting pose. He is a Cuban who left Havana for Mexico City after Castro's takeover.

By DON FRASER

The new chief of the 147-pound division visits an Indian chief at Knott's Berry Farm in Buena Park, California.

LOS ANGELES, CAL.—When he was a kid in Santiago, Cuba, Jose Mantequilla Angel Napoles was paid as low as five cents for a fight. When he recently lifted Curtis Cokes' world welterweight title, he received $20,000 from promoter George Parnassus at the Forum.

As a youngster in Cuba, Jose had more than 300 skirmishes. The only "foe" he couldn't whip was his mother.

He had three uncles who served as matchmakers and they would line up the opponents for the youngster. If Jose did not fight well or beat up the other kids in a hurry, the uncles would take a belt to him. But they weren't as tough as his mother.

"I had six brothers and when I wasn't fighting other kids I was fighting them," said Napoles. "My mother didn't like me getting in all those fights. When she would find out about it she would grab hold of me, square around in a fighter's stance and yell, 'C'mon, c'mon. You're such a great fighter, let's see you fight.'

"These were the only fights I had no chance to win. I wouldn't dare hit her, but she would whack me pretty good and I would run away to my grandmother's.

"One time, when I was going to fight a great big fella, my mother found out about it and hid all my clothes. I found a pair of pants that belonged to my fat uncle and I went looking for the big fella. But when I tried to fight my pants kept falling down.

"He hit me when I was reaching down to pull up my pants and then took off. The next time I saw him, I offered to buy him coffee. When he sat down to drink I belted him."

When his street fighting days were over, Napoles, then a small featherweight, became one of the top amateurs in Cuba, winning all but one of 114 fights. He became a professional in 1958 and was building a reputation when the Castro upheaval came.

"I have no interest in politics," said Napoles. "I wanted a decent living for my wife and son, so I went to Mexico City and resumed my boxing career. Boxing was dead in Cuba. It still is dead there. So is pro sport in general."

The record books show Napoles with five losses in 57 fights, but one of the defeats, at the hands of one Diwaldo Dentosa, was really lost by his cousin, Israel Napoles, according to Jose.

A hard puncher with either hand, Napoles has scored 31 knockouts in his last 35 fights. He has never been knocked out, but a fight with L. C. Morgan in 1966 was stopped a cut over the left eye in the third round.

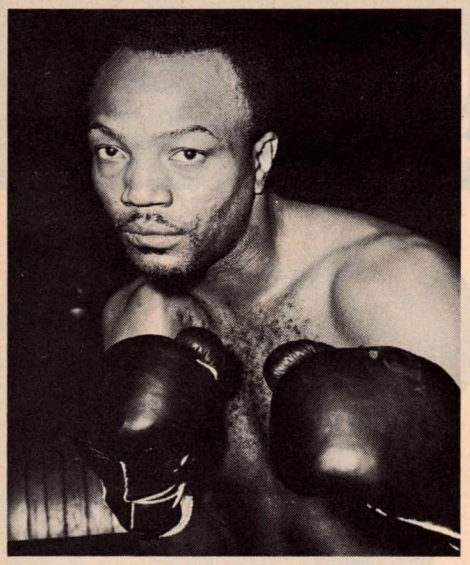
"It was caused by the head, not the glove. I knocked him out of the ring in the first round, but they tossed him back in. Then when the blood spurted, they quickly stepped in and stopped it," said Napoles, who has been undefeated since then and knocked Morgan out three other times—Caracas in seven; Monterrey, three; and Tiajuana, two.

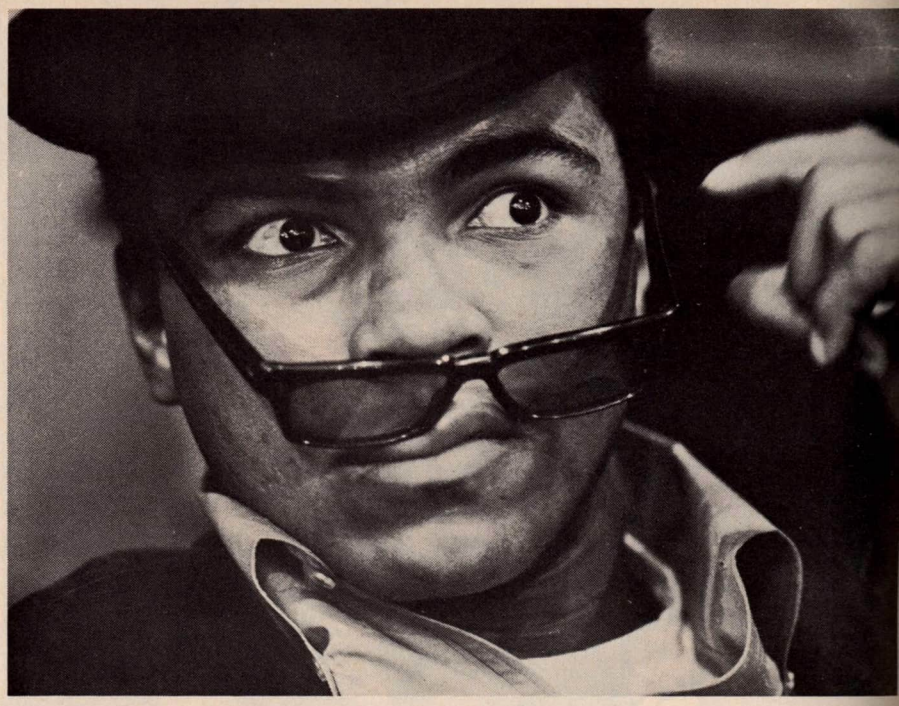
He fled Castro's "Paradise" in 1961 and established residence in Mexico City. He became an immediate favorite in Mexico and was soon chopping down the best Mexican lightweights.

To keep busy, he had to travel to Venezuela, Japan and the United States. He has dropped only three bouts since quitting Cuba.

Napoles lost to Alfredo Urbina, Tony Perez and Morgan. He reversed all three setbacks.

The veteran Carlos (Cuco) *(Continued on page 39)*





(Above) Bob Foster, light-heavyweight king, with apparently no more worlds to conquer in the 175-pound division, is taking a fond look at the heavyweights. (Right) Cassius Clay said he won't fight again, for the umpteenth time. But he didn't say "Positively."

Foster's Heavy Ambitions Pose Major Problem For Promoters

By DAN DANIEL

IT would appear that the various recent developments in the world boxing situation would tend to clear things up and lead us into a saner status quo.

However, as this issue of The Ring goes to press the picture is not much less muddled, be it on the score of Cassius Clay and the heavyweight title, plus his case in the Federal Court; the match between Joe Frazier and Jimmy Ellis, which rested on the issue of the Frazier-Jerry Quarry contest; the abandonment of a Cooper-Ellis fight in England; the report that Floyd Patterson has retired; and the understandable desire of Bob Foster, light-heavyweight champion, to become involved in the heavyweight wrangle.

Foster's four-round KO of Andy Kendall, which looks better in the record book than it did in the West Springfield, Mass. ring, left Bob in a hermit's area in so far as the 175-pound class is concerned.

His physical makeup unfits his light-heavyweight field for serious jousting with him. So, like Billy Conn, Tommy Loughran, John Henry Lewis, Archie Moore and Georges Carpentier, Foster gazes longingly into the verdant pastures on the other side of the fence.

Madison Square Garden Boxing Director Harry Markson would offer Clay a huge amount of moolah to box there were he to be cleared of his court troubles.

Heavyweight aficionados recently read with great interest a despatch from Penn State University that Cassius Clay, on a Sabbath stopover for a sermon to the good collegians, at $1,500 a sermon, announced once more, that he had retired from the ring, no matter what the Federal Court issue.

Cassius pointed out that the Black Muslims forbade ring fighting and an unholy war.

There was an obvious effort by Clay to mend his strained relations with Elijah Muhammad, the Grand Immam of the Black Muslims. Miami sources insisted that the "misunderstanding" already had been repaired.

Tony Marenghi, boxing writer for the Newark (N.J.) Star-Ledger, was at Penn State when Clay announced his "retirement." Tony asked if Cassius really meant it and Clay, according to Marenghi, replied, "A man is entitled to change his mind."

Clay had made similar retirement announcements at various other stops on his uplift campaign, notably at Georgia Tech. But there were subsequent indications that Muhammad Ali, not having said "positively," was not to be held accountable for his announced intention to stop throwing leather, regardless of the outcome of his fight in the Federal Court.

The Ring's cabinet held a special meeting after the Penn State sermon and considered the possibility that it would be wise to take Cassius at his word, and erase him from the ratings.

However, having waited this long, The Ring decided that there was no reason for haste.

The Ring found it impossible to accept Clay's expressed desire to quit the ring and the money it represents to him, especially in view of his announced indebtedness of $300,000, most of it to lawyers, incurred before the Civil Liberties Union took over his case.

After considering all the pros and cons, The Ring decided to let Cassius Clay further explore the areas of the full process of law. What a sucker!

As this thesis was written, the author had no indication of what Frazier now would do, and what Federal Judge Joe Ingraham, in Houston, would do against the evidence in the Cassius case which had been obtained by the FBI with "surreptitious" methods.

Were Clay to become eligible to fight in New York—that he would fight if his court case were resolved in his favor—Harry Markson, of the Garden would throw at Cassius the gold of Golconda and the jewels of Ophir.

That Cassius would be able to resist these goodies if he found the felony lifted is doubtful, no matter how strong his new resolves of a religious nature.

In the meantime Jimmy Ellis was sitting around, still repairing the nose fracture he had suffered in the fight with Patterson in Stockholm.

Patterson could not be found for a statement on his reported retirement.

Ellis will fight when the Dundees, Chris and Angelo, tell him to fight.

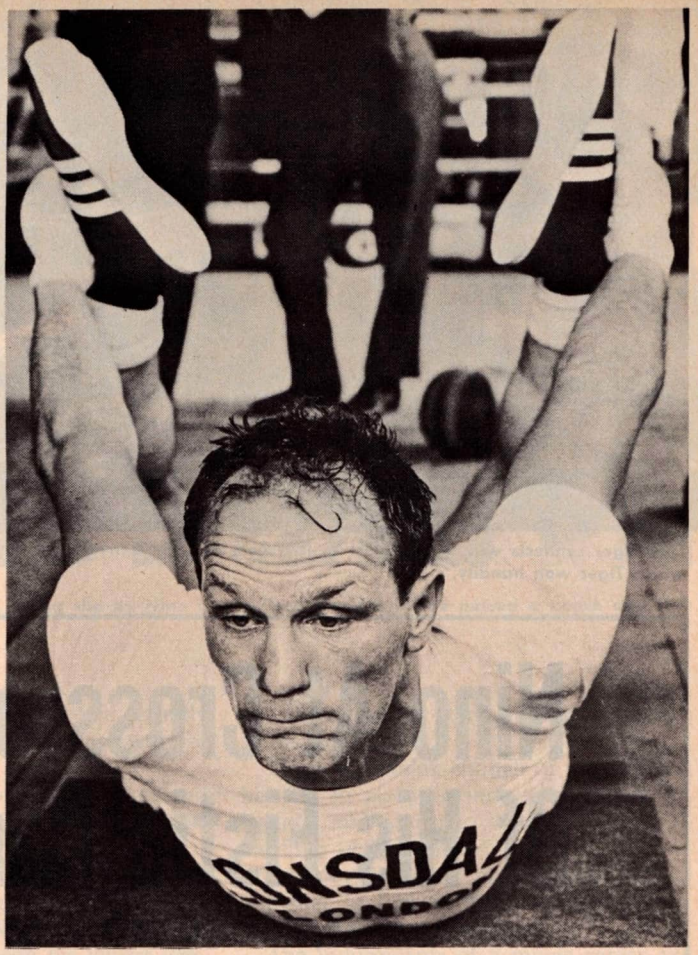
Markson's offer of $250,000 with an option of 32 percent stands and ultimately Ellis and the Dundees will accept it. They are in the fight business for money and if they are maneuvering, it's understandable. It's all in the game.

Ellis was all set to go to London to fight Henry Cooper "for the world championship."

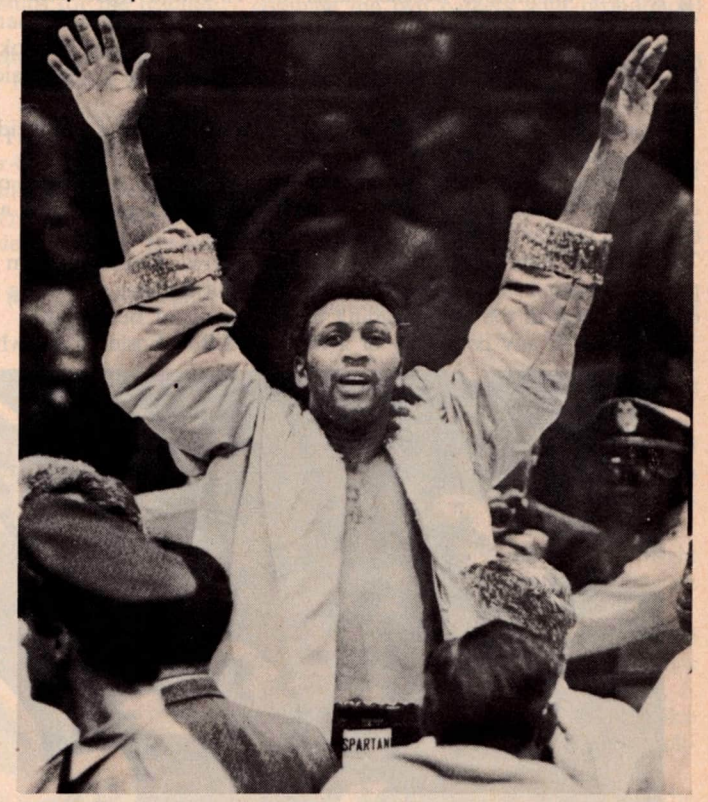
But, since neither Jimmy nor Henry is the champion, it would have been a questionable tactic for the British Boxing Board of Control to have sanctioned a match with a world title label.

Ellis, rating Cooper a safe opponent, was chagrined over loss of the pay day.

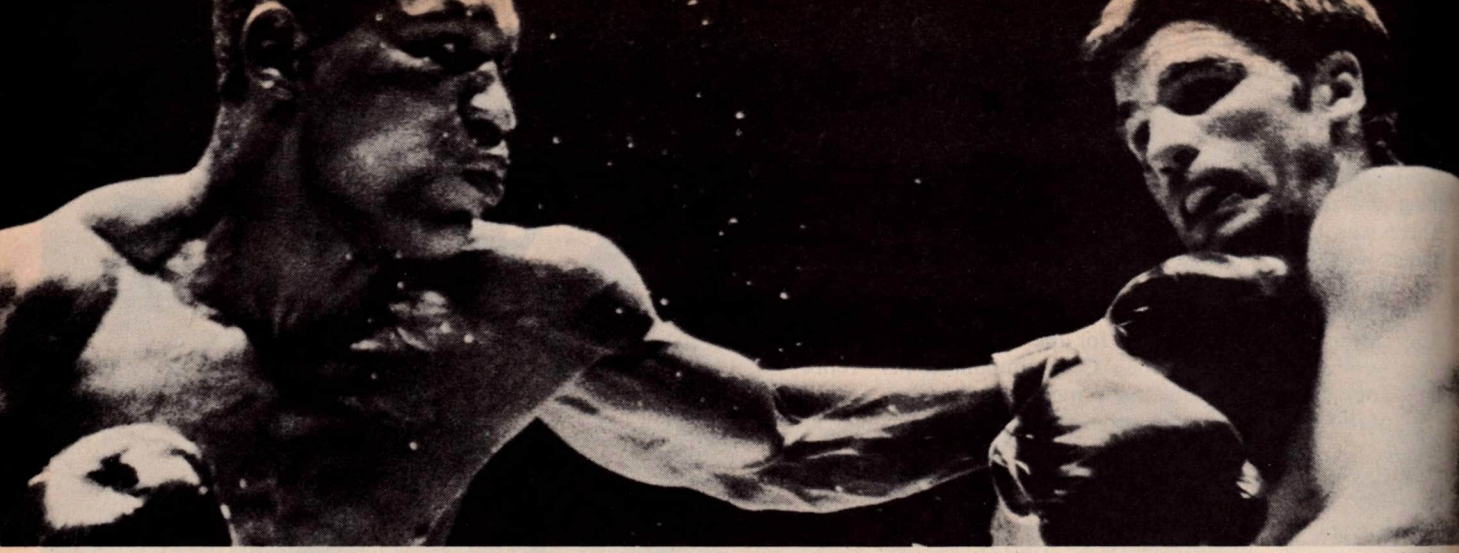
Cooper, irate over the British Board's refusal to call a fight with Ellis a world champion- *(Continued on page 62)*



Henry Cooper, the European and British Empire heavyweight titleholder, gave up his British crown when the British Board of Boxing Control refused to sanction a bout with Jimmy Ellis as for the world championship.



Jimmy Ellis, recognized as titlist by the World Boxing Association, still sits and waits, sits and waits, sits and waits, sits and waits . . .



Dick Tiger connects with a hard left to the chest of Nino Benvenuti during the early part of their 10-round non-title bout at Madison Square Garden, which Tiger won handily.

Nino At Crossroads Of His Fistic Career

By NAT LOUBET

IS the 39-year-old Dick Tiger, weighing 166 pounds, as good as he looked when he got the unanimous decision after his 10-round fight with Nino Benvenuti, world middleweight champion, age 31, weight 164, in Madison Square Garden, New York?

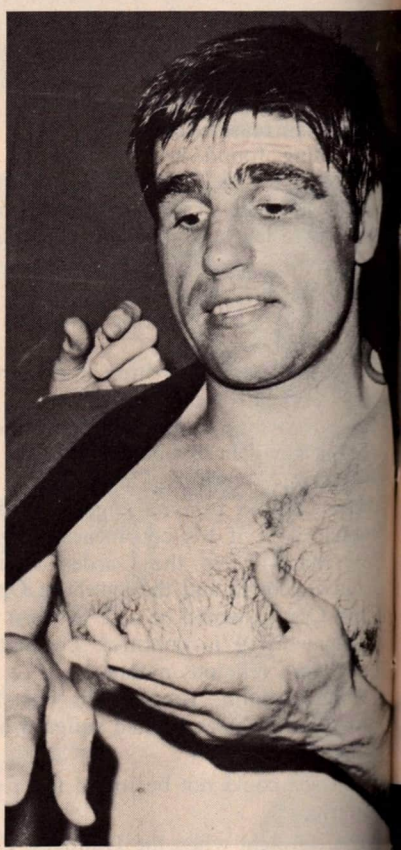
Is Nino Benvenuti, the 160-pound titleholder, as bad as he looked, making allowances for the broken knuckle on his right hand, which the Italian said he had fractured in the first round?

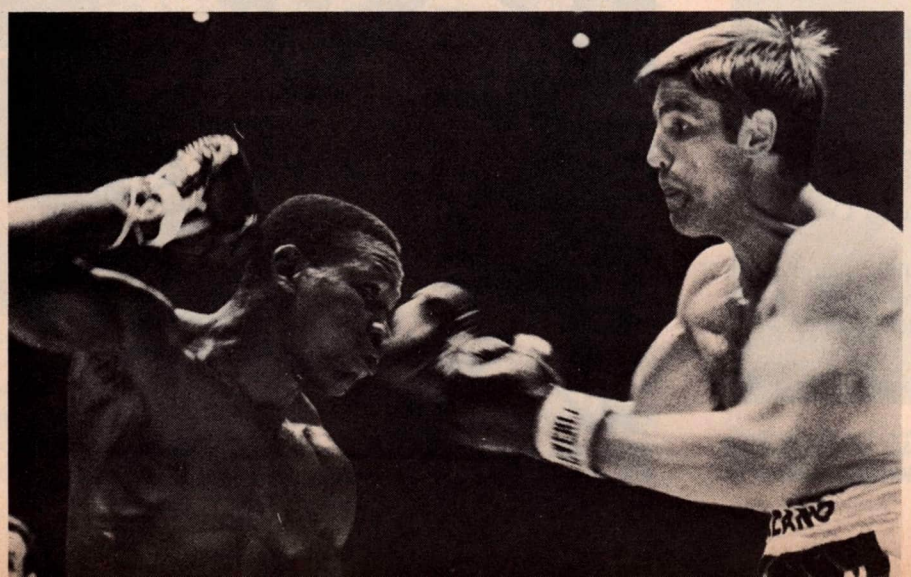
Would Tiger merit consideration as a likely winner if he decided to whittle down to 160 pounds and go after Nino's title?

What was all the shooting about when the District Attorney's office served subpoenas on Tiger and Benvenuti and gave boxing some bad publicity in a matter which did not concern Dick and Nino in the slightest degree?

What did Don Fullmer, who fought Juarez DeLima, from South America, 166 pounds against 159¼, achieve through his split decision following a rather dull 10-round demonstration in the affair leading up to Tiger and Benvenuti?

Is there still any possibility of a Benvenuti-Bob Foster fight, which had been contem-





(Above) Benvenuti shows the broken knuckle on his right hand which he said was fractured in the first round of the contest. (Left) Tiger winds up with his right as Benvenuti appears to be trying to grab Dick's head with both hands in the third round.

plated by the Garden before Tiger beat the man from Trieste?

A lot of questions, and they merit answering, ad seriatim.

First, was Tiger as good as he appeared to be in giving the wounded Benvenuti a beating?

Of course, there is no telling what Nino would have been able to do with his right fin if he had not been suffering pain in the busted knuckle.

However, Tiger, at an age which would seem to counsel retirement, was superb.

The Biafran was trained to perfection. Trained to the very edge of overdoing. He looked a bit drawn. But he knew more than Benvenuti, he knew a lot more about punching to the body even if the good old art of infighting still was not in spectacular evidence.

Benvenuti, who had been busy making a cowboy movie and had not been seen doing six miles on the Catskill Mountain roads in the dawning, did not appear to be as skilled and as fiery as he had been in taking the middleweight title from Emile Griffith, and in winning his third meeting with the man from the Virgin Isles.

Benvenuti seemed to lack incentive and drive. His title was not at stake, and Tiger had no championship which Nino could have taken from him.

As a result, there was a somewhat disappointing fight in which your correspondent saw Tiger win by a margin of 6-3-1.

Dick was stronger. Dick fought with incentive, determination, the savvy of a former middleweight and light heavy champion who had been a ring professional for 17 years.

Benvenuti did not like the whaling he got about the body and he complained to referee Tony Perez when Nino had utterly no cause for complaint.

Perez scored the fight 7-2-1. Judge Al Berl saw it 6-3-1 and judge Joe Armstrong announced a 6-4 view of the situation.

There was no knockdown, merely a slip in which Nino hit the deck.

There was excitement for 30 minutes as to whether Tiger could maintain the pace,

No, it's not a knockdown, just a slip by Nino in the third round after he missed a punch and Dick tossed one at him.

and Benvenuti could be expected to rally and swing his hitherto almost inactive right hand.

Yes, Tiger was as good as he looked and Benvenuti, busted knuckle and all, was as bad as he looked.

Now, about Tiger's invading the middleweight class, all over again, at his age, facing the necessity of taking off six pounds from what may have been his lowest winning weight, against Benvenuti.

Cutting down to 160 and accepting the middleweight title shot offered by the Garden would entail hardships for the resolute veteran from Africa.

A two-fisted Benvenuti, encouraged to make use of his right hand and more effective labor for that piston-like left jab which scarcely ruffled Tiger, fighting a possibly weakened 39-year-old weight reducer, would present a far different picture than the 14,305 spectators (receipts $147,431), glimpsed in the Melee of the Busted Knuckle.

A word of caution to Benvenuti would not be amiss. He stands at the crossroads of his career.

Does Nino think enough of the ring and his title to place boxing at the top of his agenda, and return to serious response to his fistic obligations?

Or does Benvenuti plan to moonlight as a fighter and place the movies No. 1 in his affections and planning?

The inducements of a movie career are beguiling, bemusing, attractive from many angles, financial and romantic.

However, no man yet has been able to combine the two careers with pronounced success with the gloves.

The subpoenas served on Benvenuti and Tiger reportedly had no bearing on their fight, in which Dick upset the 2 to 1 odds in Nino's favor.

The office of the District Attorney of New York County long has been investigating Mafia activities and took a side trip into the Garden, reasons and cause unknown.

In beating De Lima—and he deserved a unanimous decision instead of the split forced by judge Armstrong's vote for the loser—Don Fullmer hung up a win, and that was about all.

Fullmer did not appear to be worthy of a middleweight title shot, and the Garden office revealed that it had no such plans for him.

Still another Benvenuti-Griffith fight appears to wait on a Griffith-Rodriguez elimination.

Talk of a fight between Benvenuti, sound knuckles taken for granted, and Foster has stilled.

Benvenuti would be a bad second choice if he were to face a taller, heavier, knockout puncher of the Foster category.

Foster would be a predominant favorite

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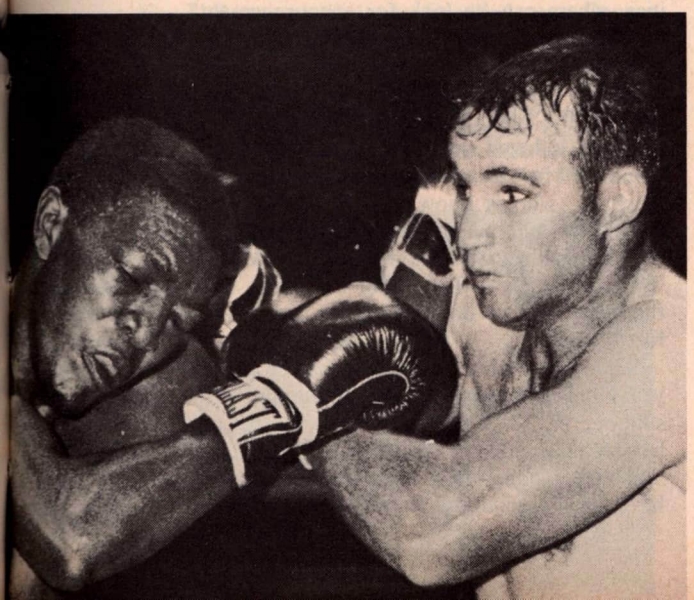


Juarez DeLima (left) and Don Fullmer mix it up during their semi-final 10-rounder on the Tiger-Benvenuti card. Fullmer was awarded a split nod.

HENRY COOPER:

"OLD BLOOD

(Left) A pensive Henry Cooper peers out a window, perhaps reviewing in his mind the highlights of his ring career.

(Right) Henry and his Italian-born wife, Albina, take a bit of a bicycle trip near their home in Wembly.

By FRANK BUTLER

LONDON, ENGLAND—The British build monuments to their heroes. They even build them for distinguished foreigners. Sugar Ray Robinson arrived in London recently. Men and women in Piccadilly Circus asked for his autograph. A taxi driver declined to take a small fare. "Have this one on me, Sugar," laughed the cabbie. "You were really great."

Robinson told me this story and said with sincerity, "That couldn't have happened on Broadway. It made me feel like the champ again."

The British can't boast of too many great fighters. That's why they place the better ones on pedestals. And Henry Cooper, heavyweight champion of the British Empire and of Europe, is something special. And he's been placed on a special pedestal. Women as well as men in England hold "Our 'Ennery" with great affection.

By American standards Henry Cooper isn't great. By British standards he is a good heavyweight who has dominated the scene for a decade—ever since he won the title by thrashing Brian London, in 1959.

Since then, Cooper has defended that title successfully eight times and has become the first British boxer ever to win, outright, three Lonsdale Belts.

Bombardier Billy Wells was the first British heavyweight to win a Lonsdale Belt. These trophies were first presented by the old National Sporting Club and were solid gold. The champion who won three title fights became the owner of the belt and with it went a £1 a week pension on reaching the age of 50.

The British Boxing Board of Control took over responsibility for the belts, which are no longer solid gold. So Henry Cooper is entitled to draw £3 a week in 15 years time when he is 50. Not that the fighter who has grossed nearly £300,000 is ever likely to be in need of a bob or two.

Cooper has turned in his British crown but retains his Empire titles, saying he wants nothing to do with the British title and the British Board of Boxing Control.

Cooper was matched with Jimmy Ellis for what was to be advertised as a fight for the world championship.

This designation was refused by the British Board, and Cooper got sore.

He aroused most of the boxing writers of the British Isles to support his stand.

The Board wants a Frazier-Ellis fight for the title. Cooper says that if he cannot get support from his own national authorities, where can he look for encouragement?

It is apparent that Cooper believes he can beat Ellis. But the question is, would he beat Frazier?

Henry Cooper is as Cockney as the little sparrows that hop beneath the famous bells of Bow Church in the City of London. He is loved not only for his left hook, named "'Ennery's 'Ammer" by his 74-year-old manager Jim Wicks, another Cockney, who is known as the Bishop because of his shining bald head and benign smile as he arches his fingers together in ecclesiastical style and says: "I don't care who pays my 'Ennery the cash—Levene or Solomons. All I care is who pays the most! Me? I don't work for Solomons or Levene. I work for Cooper."

This partnership of complete trust has stood the test of 15 years since Cooper signed professional forms for Wicks in the summer of 1954 after having won the British amateur light-heavyweight title.

Today Cooper is a man of distinction. Not many pugilists have been invited to Buckingham Palace to meet the Queen

and GUTS"

and receive the O.B.E.—the most distinguished Order of the British Empire.

But that's what Henry did—complete in black top hat and tails. Beside him was his Italian-born wife, Albina, along with the kids—his 8-year-old son Henry Marco and John, now nearly two.

Albina doesn't like boxing. She doesn't even like to watch it on TV. When Henry successfully defended the European title against Piero Tomasoni in Rome, she still resisted the temptation to go back to her native Italy to watch Henry perform.

But Albina did like going to Buckingham Palace and she is more proud of the insignia handed to her husband than the British heavyweight crown or any of those three Lonsdale Belts that hang in their Wembley home on the outskirts of London.

Cooper is a shy and modest man. That's why Albina fell in love with him. "He used to come in to my uncle's restaurant in Soho," she told me. "He would glance at me and smile, but it took him three years of getting to like spaghetti and ravioli before he asked me for a date."

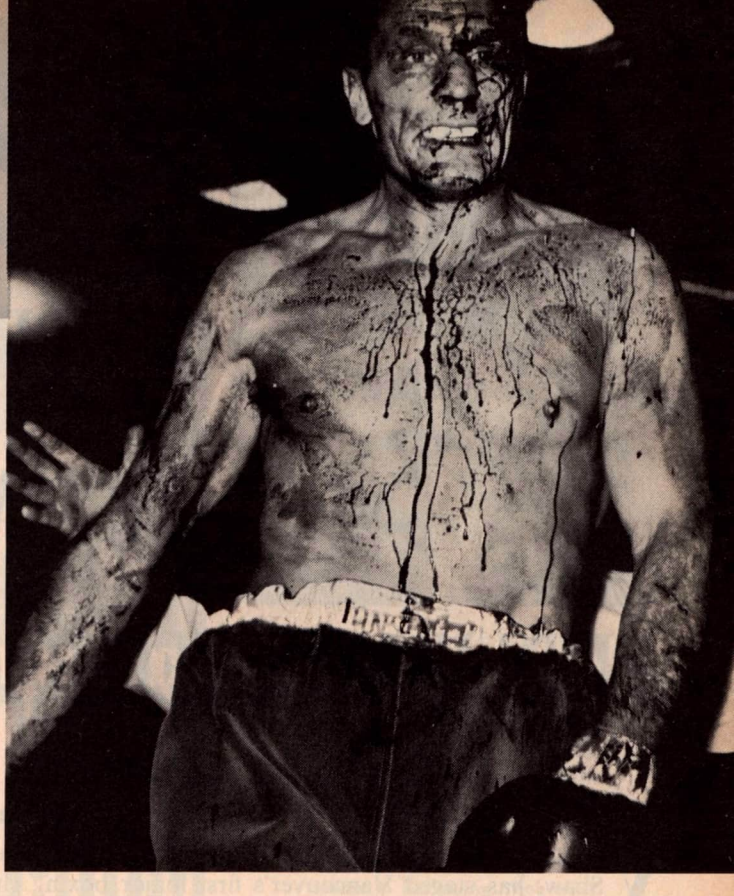
That's typical of this tall Englishman with the lean and hungry look. Brave in the ring, shy outside. When they finally married after Henry had taken instruction in the Catholic faith, the wedding was kept secret for five months. Typical of Cooper.

They often take their holidays in Italy, visiting Albina's parents on the tiny farm 20 miles from Parma where she spent her childhood running round five cows, three pigs and a few dozen chickens.

Cooper is loved by the British because success never has changed him. His Cockney voice is still just the same as when he worked in South London with his twin brother George as a plasterer.

Cooper is also admired for his honesty. When his left hook bowls over an opponent in quick time there's never any boasting in the interviews that follows. Of his vanquished rival Henry says something like, "He was a good boy. Showed lots of promise but then he walked into a punch and that was that."

In defeat there are no excuses. The night he put up a bad show against Floyd Patterson and got knocked out, Cooper just said: "I was lousy! Floyd was the better man."



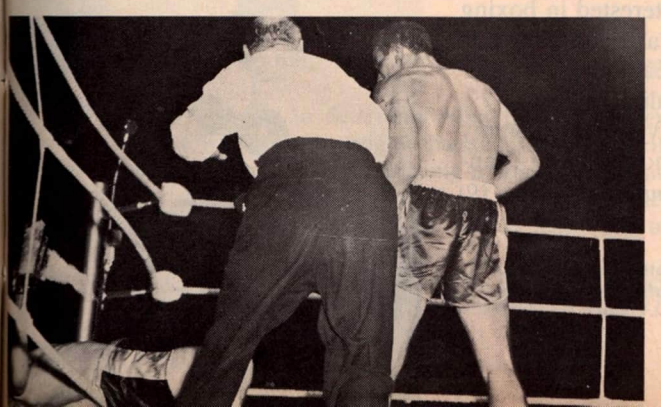
Here's 'Ennery, covered with his own gore after his title bout with Cassius Clay was stopped in the sixth round on May 21, 1966.

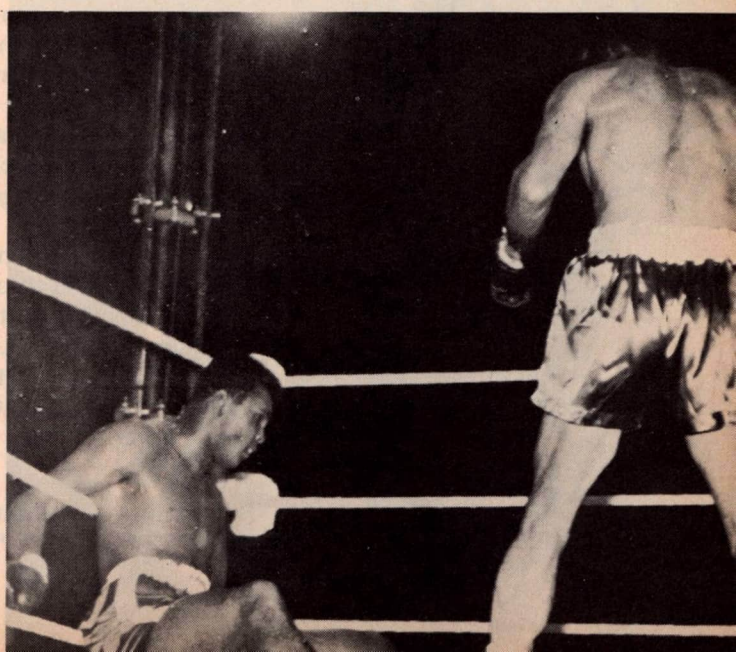
The Cooper story hasn't always been one of success. As an amateur, he had a good English straight left jab, but no great hook. He seldom knocked 'em dead.

His first professional fight was on September 14, 1954. He knocked over moderate opposition in Harry Painter, in the first round. He then won another eight fights before losing in two rounds to an Italian named Uber Bacilieri. This was the first warning that Henry Cooper had a weakness about the eyes—caused by his angular bone structure.

Cooper over the years has cut badly. In fact, it is remarkable that he ever overcame this *(Continued on page 62)*

(Below) Joe Erskine goes crashing through the ropes, via a flurry of Cooper punches in the 12th round of their bout on November 17, 1959. The referee stopped the contest a few moments later. (Right) Perhaps the greatest moment of Cooper's career was when he smashed Cassius Clay to the floor with a left hook in the fourth round of their first bout on June 18, 1963. Clay recovered and stopped 'Ennery in the fifth round.





On left, a head study of Vancouver's lady promoter, Lillian Shaw. At right, Lil sits on the lap of her father, Edward, back in the old homestead in Hamilton, Ontario.

GAL PROMOTER LILLIAN SHAW PUTS VANCOUVER BACK NO PUGILISTIC MAP

By JIM JOHNSTON

VANCOUVER, B.C.—An attractive woman promoter, 22-year-old Lillian Shaw, has staged Vancouver's first major boxing show since 1966, when Eddie Cotton defeated Emil Umek. For a time, boxing was deader than a doornail in Vancouver, a city that produced such well known leather pushers as Jimmy McLarnin, Billy Townsend, Kenny Lindsay, Jackie Turner and Phil Palmer.

Although several promising fighters developed in recent years they had to leave the hometown and travel to the U.S.A. to show their wares. Recent examples, Ronnie Wilson, Dick Findlay, Tommy Boyce and Tommy Burns.

Miss Shaw, a petite brunette, was born in Hamilton, Ontario, 22 years ago. She comes from a large family, has five brothers and four sisters. Her parents and family reside in the Hamilton area where her father has a contracting business. Lillian moved to Vancouver eight months ago.

Her past employment was in the purchasing departments of two of Toronto's largest department stores. She now is in the clothing business in Vancouver.

Lillian's hobbies besides promoting fights are swimming, horseback riding and bowling. She is an expert swimmer and was a swimming instructor in Toronto.

Miss Shaw was a counsellor with a Toronto youth club, St. Albany's, and gained knowledge of sports events from these activities.

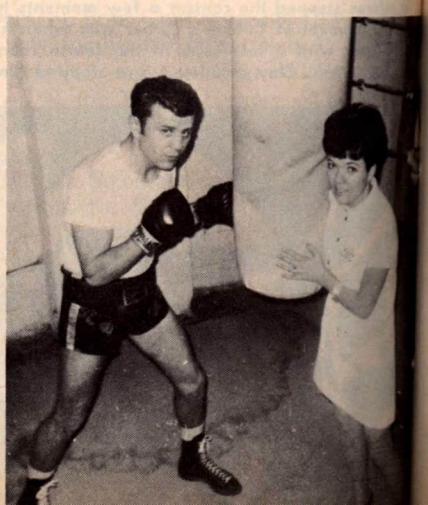
She first became interested in boxing in Hamilton through a friend who was then boxing in the featherweight division, Brian McLaughlin.

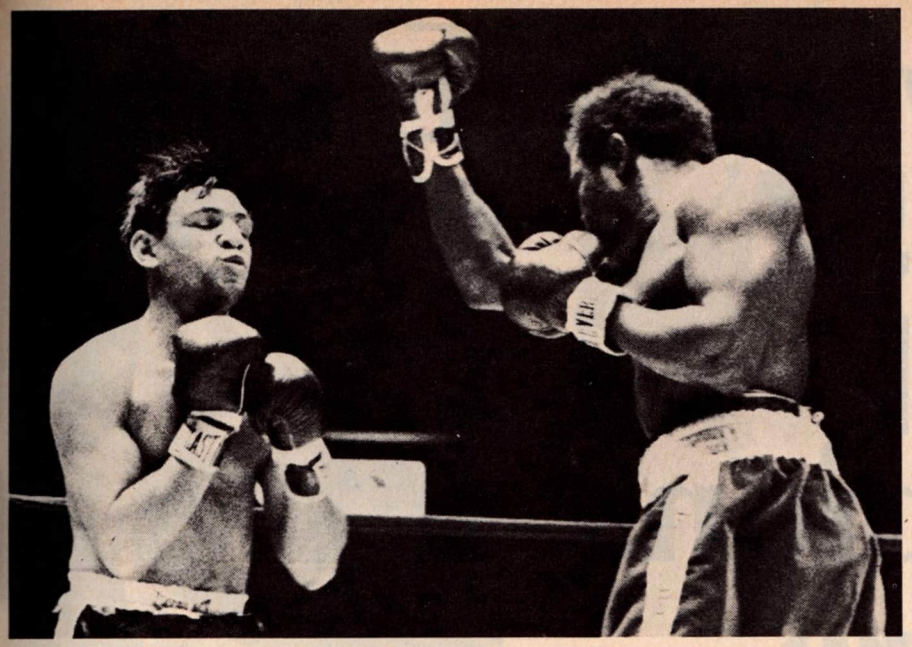
Later she met heavyweight Tommy Burns at Toronto and again in Vancouver. *(Continued on page 39)*

Here's bunny card girl Anette Pierce, who Lil used on her recent show after a bout in Las Vegas.

Lillian poses with two of her favorites, Tommy Burns (left), to whom she is engaged, and Ed Ostapovich.

Lillian gives a bit of aid to welterweight Les Vegas during a gym workout.





Above left, Emile Griffith (right) has just landed a solid right to the head of Kitten Hayward during their Madison Square Garden 12-rounder won easily by Griffith. Above, Griffith ducks under Hayward's arm as blood from gash runs down Kitten's face. Below, Griffith seems to be saying "ooh-ooh" as he stares at his opponent's cut.

GRIFFITH BEATS HAYWARD BUT PUBLIC SAYS "HO-HUM"

By NAT FLEISCHER

THE big triple header in Madison Square Garden was not quite the classic event Harry Markson had expected. Neither the response of fight fans nor the results in the ring were spectacular.

The gate, weather clear, was no better than $39,509, from 8,126 paying guests. The results were as follows:

1. Emile Griffith, 155, outpointed Kitten Hayward, 162, in a 12-rounder, decision unanimous.
2. Jimmy Dupree, 175½, stopped Johnny Persol, 176, in the seventh round.
3. Pete Toro, 154, outpointed Willie Munoz, 154, in ten rounds, decision unanimous.

There was a four-round curtain raiser in which Abraham Cabrera, 164, outpointed Steve Papp, 161, Budapest, Hungary, decision unanimous.

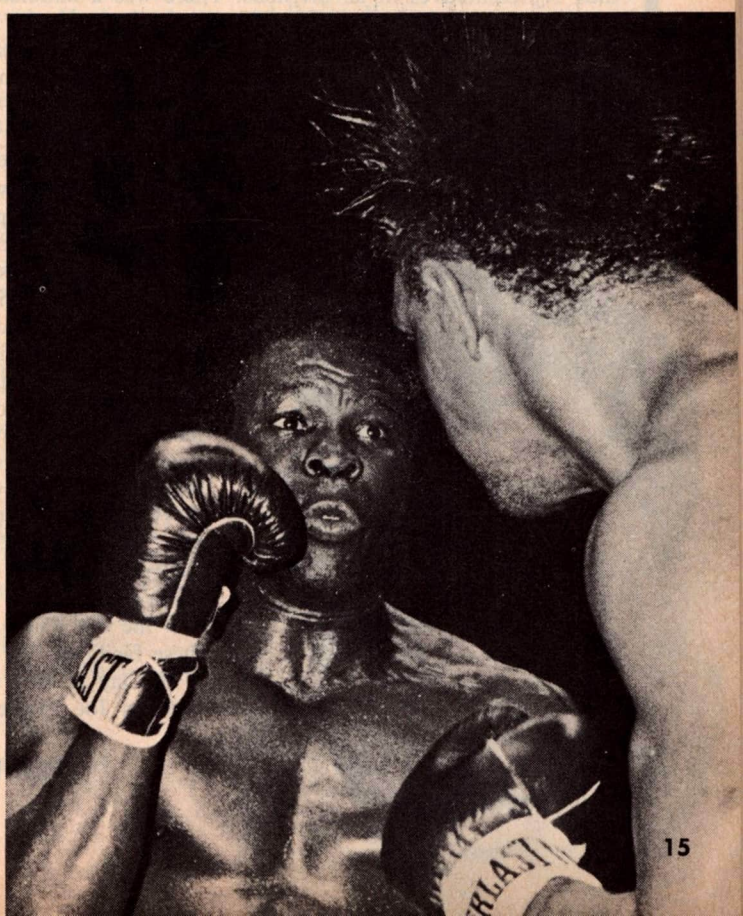
Interest, of course, was concentrated in the Griffith-Hayward fight. The Kitten had got a decision over Emile in ten rounds in Philadelphia in October, and great had been the holler from the Griffith camp.

This time there was no question as to who had won. Hayward's left eye was cut in the fourth round and that handicapped the feline, who tried to make it a long range fight from then on and met a poor response from the three gentlemen who scored the battle officially.

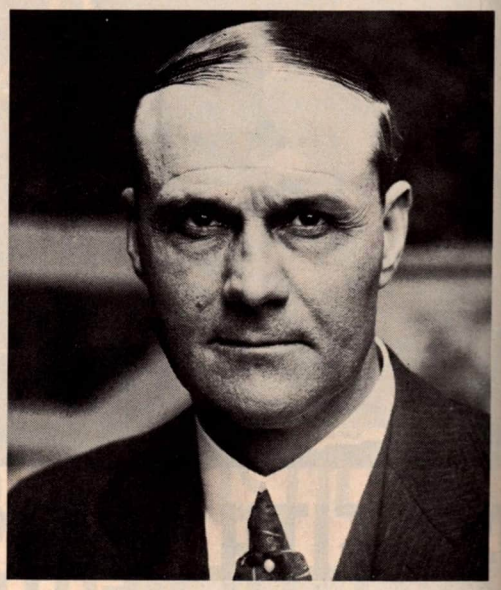
Referee Arthur Mercante and judge Tony Castellano saw it eight to four and judge John Dran turned in a nine to three card.

The fight was supposed to determine Nino Benvenuti's next challenger for the world middleweight championship. But Griffith did not impress the customers as being a worthy candidate for a fourth meeting with Nino, especially at the prices which would be dictated by Benvenuti's "$100,000 at least" tag on his services.

Benvenuti had before him a non-title affair, with Dick Tiger, former light-heavyweight cham- *(Continued on page 41)*



That was THE Year! 1925! All Champions Were Americans!



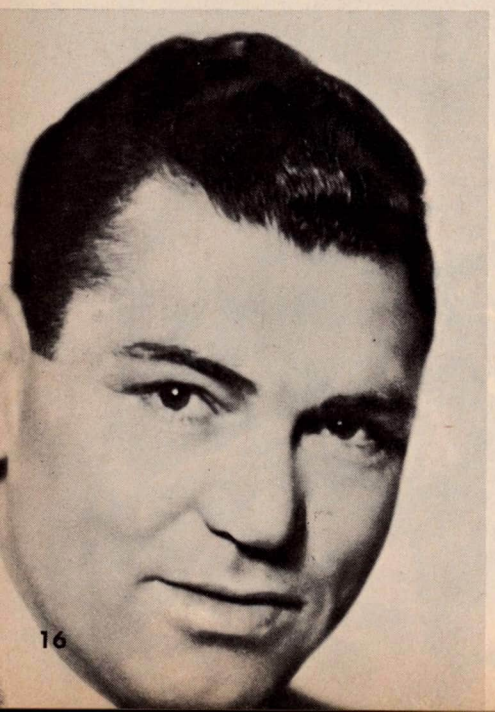
TEX RICKARD

By GEORGE GIRSCH

TIME was when American boxing enthusiasts found reason to take great pride in their representatives in all divisions. There was a nationalistic, even, at times, a chauvinistic attitude on this situation.

A change in the ownership of a world title, and it usually cast fresh encomium on Yankee fisticuffs, was spread all over the sports pages, and often commanded page one attention.

Alas and alack, those days are gone! Not that this betokens the collapse of boxing. In fact, it is a good thing for the game because championship competition now extends to all parts of the world.



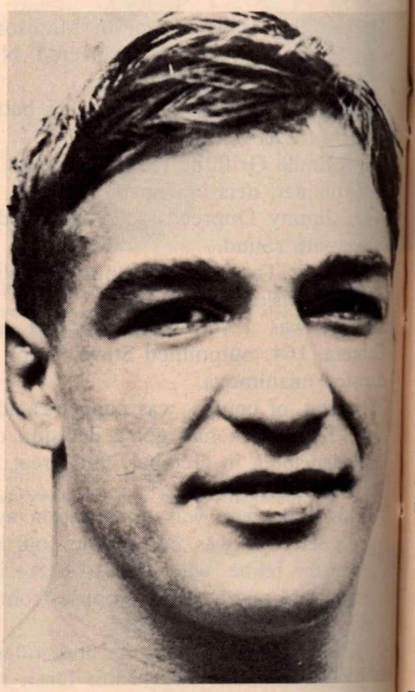
JACK DEMPSEY

The U.S. monopoly certainly has been broken and fistic class now stands out in places which years ago did not know a left hook from a right cross, and scarcely could produce a couple of sets of boxing gloves and emphatically no boxing ring.

As of this date of publication, the United States has only three world champions — light heavyweight Bob Foster, lightweight Mando Ramos, and heavyweight Cassius Clay.

The heavyweight title would remain in the U.S. even if Cassius were sent to the Federal pokey for his unfriendly attitude toward the Army, the Navy, the Marines and the Air Force. Cassius likes none of these facilities.

If Clay is filed away the title will rest between Joe Frazier and Jimmy Ellis, so



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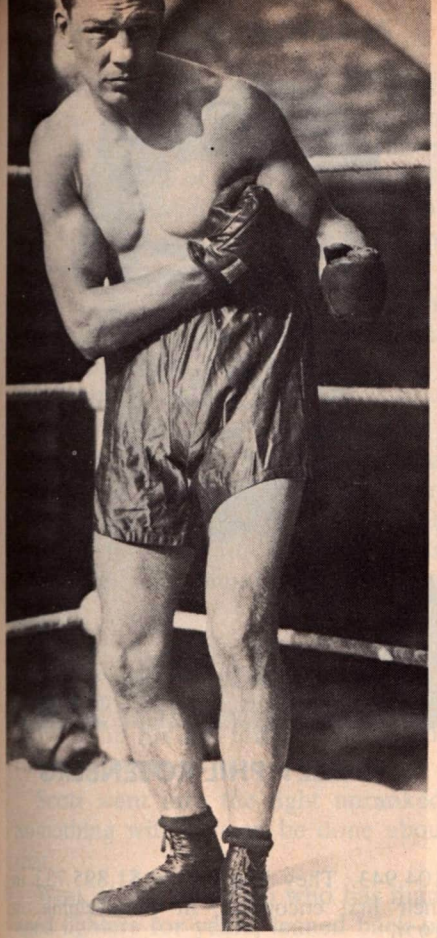
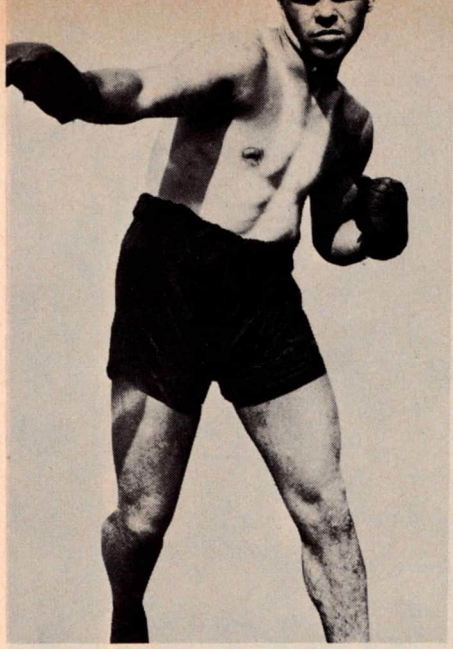
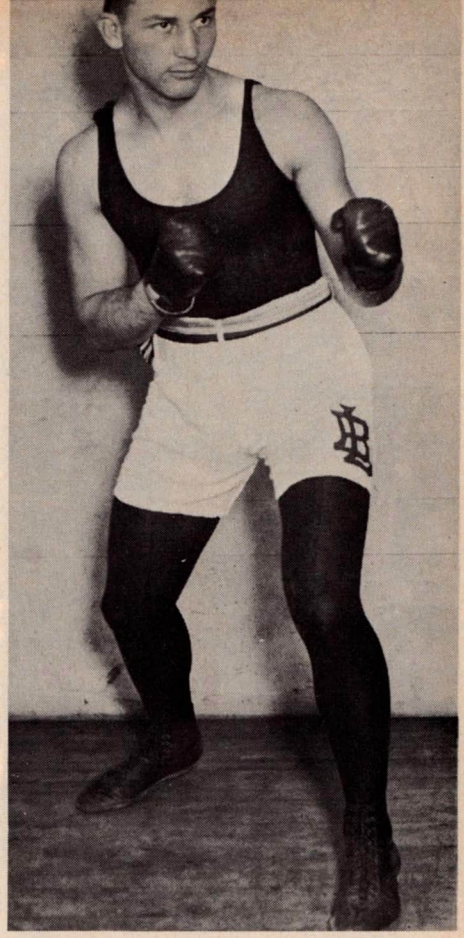




MICKEY WALKER

HARRY GREB
(Left)

BENNY LEONARD
(Right)



that the heavyweight championship is assured to the United States, in a continuous run since 1959, when Ingemar Johansson, of Sweden, knocked out Floyd Patterson in three rounds.

The way the championship situation shapes up in the U.S.A., with even the two junior titles no longer owned in this country—the junior lightweight by Hiroshi Kobayashi, Japan, and the junior welterweight by Nicolino Loche, of the Argentine—Uncle Sam is at the lowest point of his fistic fortunes, in so far as universal laurels are concerned.

Would you believe that there was a time when all of the world championships were held by Americans?

Would you believe that this situation existed in 1925? Here is how it shaped up to the old guy's delight:

Heavyweight—Jack Dempsey.
Light-heavyweight—Paul Berlenbach.
Middleweight—Harry Greb.
Welterweight—Mickey Walker.
Lightweight—Benny Leonard (retired). Jimmy Goodrich. Rocky Kansas.
Featherweight—Louis Kid Kaplan.
Bantamweight—Charley Phil Rosenberg.
Flyweight—Fidel La Barba.

If you are interested in the juniors, there were Pinky Mitchell in the secondary welter division, and Mike Ballerino in the junior lightweight class. That same year Tod Morgan, U.S.A., stopped Ballerino.

Can you imagine what this 1925 collection of world champions would do in action now? Stop dreaming? Okeh!

How did this American title monopoly come about in 1925?

Well, there was Dempsey in the heavyweight class, to begin with. He had taken the title from Jess Willard in 1919, and was destined to lose it in 1926 to another American, Gene Tunney, of the Marines.

Light-heavyweight Berlenbach won his title on May 30, 1925, when he outpointed Mike McTigue in 15 rounds. Paul lost his crown to Jack Delaney in 1926, and in 1927 Tommy Loughran made himself the king of the class.

Greb, who won the middleweight championship from Johnny Wilson in 1923, held that title for three years short of two weeks. His successor, Tiger Flowers, beat Harry in February, 1926, and in December of that year Mickey Walker beat Flowers in a ten in Chicago.

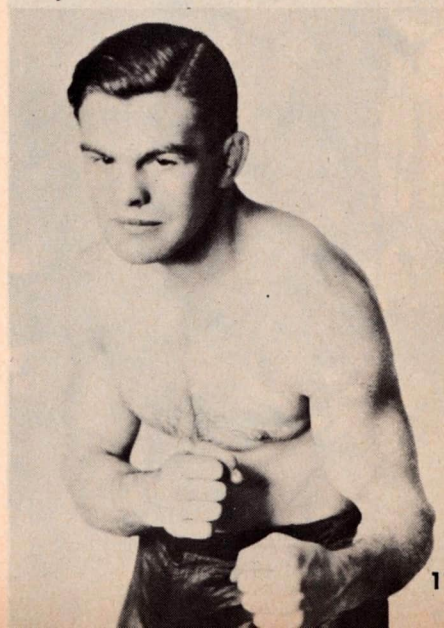
Walker acquired the welter title on November 1, 1922, when he outpointed Jack Britton. He lost the title to Pete Latzo in ten rounds in Scranton the following May. Latzo lost to Joe Dundee, and Jackie Fields succeeded Joe. If Americans lost titles, Americans won them.

The classic, clever Leonard became the lightweight champion of the world on May 28, 1917. He stopped Freddy Welsh in nine rounds.

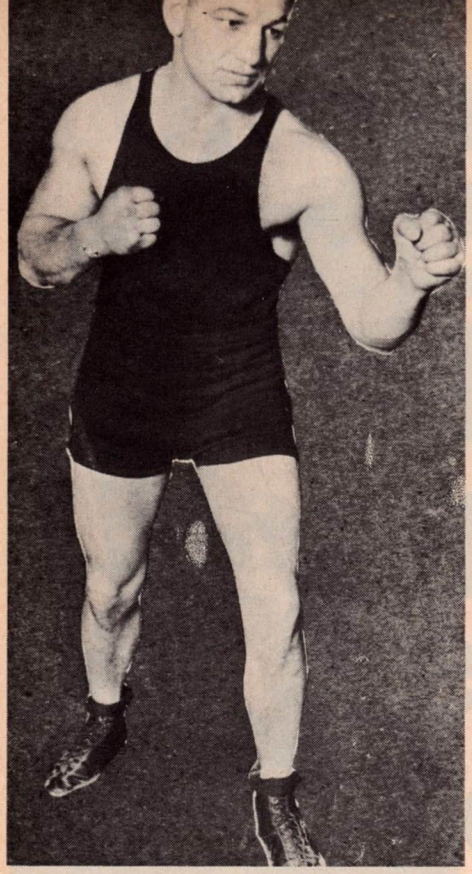
Leonard retired in 1925 and an all-American elimination tournament was set up, among Jimmy Goodrich, Stan Loyaza, and Rocky Kansas.

Goodrich won the championship but that same year he lost it to Rocky Kansas, who in 1926 was beaten by Sammy Mandell.

In 1925, Johnny Dundee, who had achieved featherweight title prominence by beating France's Eugene Criqui in 1923, became too heavy for the class limit of 126 pounds. The title went to Louis Kid



JIMMY GOODRICH



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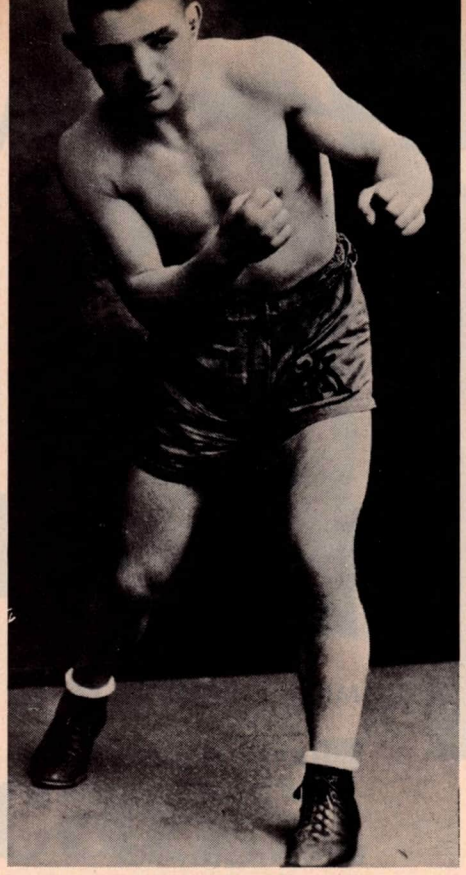

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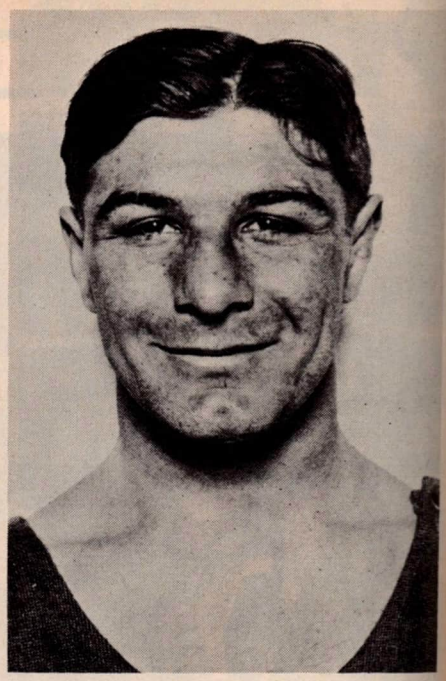


CHARLEY PHIL ROSENBERG

Kaplan, who stopped Danny Kramer in nine rounds. Two years later, Louis had to bow to the scales, and Benny Bass succeeded to the class leadership.

Now we come to the bantamweight division. In 1924, Eddie Cannonball Martin gained the captaincy of the class by beating Abe Goldstein.

In 1925, Charley Phil Rosenberg whipped Martin in 15 rounds in New York. Bushy Graham got the first shot at the title but when Rosenberg failed to make weight, the New York Commission announced that Charley Phil no longer was the champion.

The bantam muddle wasn't cleared up until 1929, when Al Brown became the leader. Bud Taylor and Graham had been recognized by the NBA but Brown's points victory over Vidal Gregario in New York, on June 18, 1929, stopped the bickering.

Brown reigned until June 1, 1935, when he went to Valencia, Spain, and lost to Baltazar Sangchili. The American crackup had set in.

On August 22, 1925, Pancho Villa having died the previous month, Fidel La Barba became the world's flyweight leader with a ten-round success against Frankie Genaro in Los Angeles.

It was a glorious era for the ring. The Million Dollar Gate had been bypassed. In 1927, when Dempsey and Tunney met for the second time, in Chicago, the gate went to $2,658,600, with an attendance of 104,943. They had drawn $1,895,733 in their first encounter, in Philadelphia, in 1926.

MR. & MRS.
FIDEL LA BARBA

The fabulous Tex Rickard died in 1929. Tex and his Dempsey had set incredible records for receipts and attendance. Mike Jacobs and his Joe Louis were to come along, and before long there was Jim Norris running the works in New York, with financial achievements beyond belief.

All this time the good old U.S.A. dominated the boxing picture. Not with the monopoly of 1925. But with champions galore, nevertheless, and contenders innumerable.

American domination of the heavyweight class was interrupted in 1930 by Germany's Max Schmeling.

Jack Sharkey beat the Uhlan and in 1933 Italy's Primo Carnera stopped Sharkey. Strange things were happening.

Then came Max Baer, Jimmy Braddock and Joe Louis. Great American fighters stood out at all times in the world picture.

Did Rickard and Jacobs make their eras of affluence? Or did the good times and the great fighters make Rickard and Mike?

Now we have a middleweight from Italy ruling the division—Nino Benvenuti. No light-heavyweight loomed from abroad to threaten Bob Foster.

The welterweight championship just had passed from the American Curtis Cokes to Jose Napoles, born in Cuba, nurtured in Havana *(Continued on page 61)*

FRASER SCOTT: HUCK FINN OF THE MIDDLEWEIGHTS

By JACK D. HOPKINS

SEATTLE, WASH.—Fraser Scott, a 20-year-old Huck Finn type with long red hair neatly shaved across the base of his neck, and freckles, is undefeated as a middleweight, compiling a record of 15 wins and one draw.

A counter puncher with a classic stand-up style who shuffles in flat footed and fights in flurries, Scott is a middleweight champion of the State of Washington.

His manager, Joe West, believes that he has a future world champion. "Give him three or four more fights and he'll be ready for anybody," West says. "He'll whip 'em, too. This kid has it all."

Scott's victory No. 15 was the most impressive, a TKO against sixth-ranked Denny Moyer, who was excused from showing up for the third round by the ringside doctor.

Scott went into the fight unranked. Something will have to be done about that.

West, a tall, thin man who has managed fighters for years, leaned back on the gray straight-backed chair at ringside and continued, "This kid is a hungry fighter who fights because he loves it."

Fight he does. During one stretch Scott fought five fights in six weeks. The red head has had sixteen fights in less than a year since turning pro July 27, 1968.

As an amateur, Scott was a two time Northwest Golden Gloves Champion, winning the light-middleweight titles in 1967 and 1968.

While an amateur he sparred with "Indian Red" Lopez and Andy Heilman. Both were impressed with the young Kirkland, Washington lad. These sparring sessions gave him a wealth of confidence and he went to West for advice about turning pro.

West, who was always in Scott's corner as an amateur, believed he'd make it big, so the two teamed up.

When young Scott isn't fighting, he attends college, where he's a junior majoring in art.

"People can't understand why I want to be a fighter. They think because I'm a college man that I have to play the part. I get a thrill out of facing a man in the ring, to see which of us is victorious. As a boxer I come to terms with life in its basic sense. And I must be honest and say that I box for money, too. I use the money to get through school."

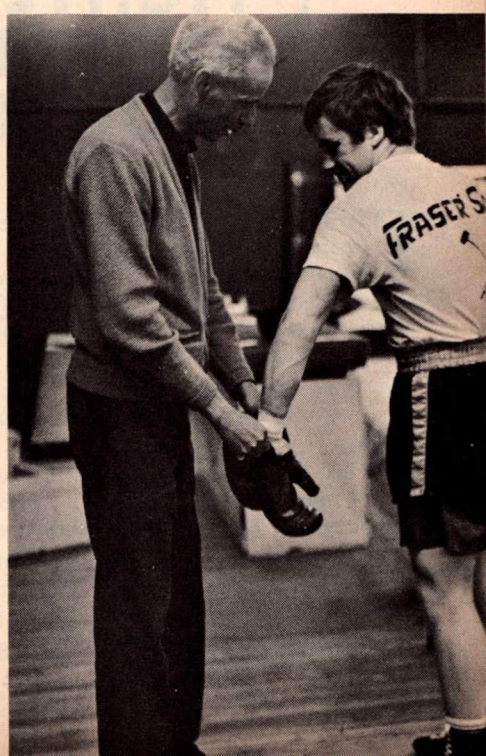
The versatile Scott is also a poet and soul singer. When he and his manager travel to a bout, Scott sketches in his art book, writes poetry and hums soul music.

"Sometimes we don't even talk," West confides. "He gets so wrapped up in his art he doesn't even know I'm around. But all of that is forgotten when he climbs between the ropes. He has the killer instinct in there."

The colorful 5′ 8″ 155-pound Scott, who is known as "Great" Scott by his fans, enters the ring in a bright green robe. His grandmother, one of his biggest fans, made the robe. It could be the most colorful robe of all time.

"Yeah, you know I don't know how many fighters have asked her to make one for them, but she refuses," Scott says. " 'Only for Fraser,' she says—'just Fraser'." *(Continued on page 61)*

(Above) Young Fraser Scott is sure he'll be the middleweight king some day. They're beginning to listen to him after his victory over Denny Moyer. (Below) Manager Joe West, helping Scott don the mitts, believes Fraser can defeat any middleweight around. "The kid's got it," he says.



WORLD RATINGS

By NAT FLEISCHER

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CASSIUS CLAY, Houston, Texas

1—JOE FRAZIER, Philadelphia, Pa.
2—JIMMY ELLIS, Louisville, Ky.
3—JERRY QUARRY, Los Angeles, Cal.
4—SONNY LISTON, Las Vegas, Nev.
5—OSCAR BONAVENA, Argentina
6—LEOTIS MARTIN, Philadelphia, Pa.
7—BUSTER MATHIS, Grand Rapids, Mich.
8—GEORGE CHUVALO, Canada
9—HENRY COOPER, England
10—MAC FOSTER, Fresno, Calif.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BOB FOSTER, Washington, D.C.

1—DICK TIGER, Biafra
2—GREGORIO PERALTA, Argentina
3—TOM BOGS, Denmark
4—MARK TESSMAN, Houston, Texas
5—RAY ANDERSON, Akron Ohio
6—ANDY KENDALL, Portland, Ore.
7—EDDIE AVOTH, Wales
8—BOB DUNLOP, Australia
9—JIMMY RALSTON, Buffalo, N.Y.
10—JIMMY DUPREE, Jersey City, N.J.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
NINO BENVENUTI, Italy

1—LUIS RODRIGUEZ, Miami Beach, Fla.
2—FREDDIE LITTLE, Las Vegas, Nev.
3—EMILE GRIFFITH, New York, N.Y.
4—DON FULLMER, West Jordan, Utah
5—STAN HAYWARD, Philadelphia, Pa.
6—JUAN CARLOS DURAN, Italy
7—DENNY MOYER, Portland, Ore.
8—FRASER SCOTT, Seattle, Wash.
9—DOYLE BAIRD, Akron, Ohio
10—KI SOO KIM, Korea

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOSE NAPOLES, Mexico

1—CURTIS COKES, Dallas, Texas
2—ERNIE LOPEZ, Las Vegas, Nev.
3—BILLY BACKUS, Syracuse, N.Y.
4—PERCY PUGH, New Orleans, La.
5—MANUEL GONZALEZ, Odessa, Texas
6—JOHANN ORSOLICS, Austria
7—RAUL SORIANO, Mexico
8—HEDGEMON LEWIS, Detroit, Mich.
9—DAVID MELENDEZ, Puerto Rico
10—DARIO HIDALGO, Dominican Republic

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
NICOLINO LOCHE, Argentina

1—BRUNO ARCARI, Italy
2—ADOLPH PRUITT, St. Louis, Mo.
3—JOAO HENRIQUE, Brazil
4—GERMAN GASTELBONDO, Colombia
5—EDDIE PERKINS, Chicago, Ill.
6—TURK KAMACI, Austria
7—EUGENIO ESPINOZA, Ecuador
8—PAUL FUJII, Honolulu, Hawaii
9—PEDRO ADIGUE, Philippines
10—BARRERA CORPUS, Spain

DICK TIGER FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

THERE were two candidates for the Fighter of the Month designation—Dick Tiger, who had taken a unanimous decision in 10 rounds over middleweight champion Nino Benvenuti, and Bob Foster, who had defended his light heavyweight title successfully with a four-round knockout of overmatched but game Andy Kendall.

The Ring rating group voted for Tiger, whose success against Nino, busted Benvenuti knuckle notwithstanding, was a fine performance.

Not that Foster had not done what he set out to do against a No. 4 rated contender. But, as it turned out, beating Kendall was not one of Bob's standout achievements.

The heavyweight ratings will be found almost intact, one exception being the elimination of Mexican Manuel Ramos.

The Piute's place has been given to Mac Foster, the Californian, whom Archie Moore calls "the greatest heavyweight in the business."

Cassius Clay continues to be recognized as the world champion. But that case fast is approaching a finale.

Behind Clay in the heavyweight ratings Floyd Patterson will be found missing again. Floyd reportedly has decided to retire.

In the light heavyweight ratings, Yugoslav Yvan Prebeg no longer is in evidence. Jimmy Dupree, who sent Johnny Persol into retirement again, is found in the No. 10 location, with Jimmy Ralston raised to No. 9.

The middleweight ratings have been scrambled some, with this lineup behind champion Benvenuti: 1, Luis Rodriguez; 2. Freddie Little; 3, Emile Griffith, winner over Kitten Hayward; 4, Don Fullmer, winner over Juarez De Lima; 5, Hayward; 6, Juan Carlos Duran; 7, Denny Moyer, trounced by Fraser Scott; 8, Scott; 9, Doyle Baird, still resting on his laurels after a draw with Nino; 10, Ki Soo Kim.

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING JUNE 20, 1969

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
MANDO RAMOS, Long Beach, Calif.

1—PEDRO CARRASCO, Spain
2—ISMAEL LAGUNA, Panama
3—CARLOS (TEO) CRUZ, Dominican Rep.
4—KEN BUCHANAN, Scotland
5—ARTURO LOMELI, Mexico
6—JAGUAR KAKIZAWA, Japan
7—CARLOS HERNANDEZ, Venezuela
8—FRANKIE NARVAEZ, Puerto Rico
9—CHANGO CARMONA, Mexico
10—CARLOS ARO, Argentina

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
HIROSHI KOBAYASHI, Japan

1—RENE BARRIENTOS, Philippines
2—YOSHIAKI NUMATA, Japan
3—RUBEN NAVARRO, Los Angeles, Cal.
4—ANTONIO AMAYA, Panama
5—RICARDO LESCANO, Argentina
6—ALTON COLTER, Phoenix, Ariz.
7—CARLOS CAÑETE, Argentina
8—RICHARD SUE, Portland, Ore.
9—GODFREY STEVENS, Chile
10—SALEMAN-ITTI-ANUCHIT, Thailand

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOHNNY FAMECHON, Australia

1—SHOZO SAIJYO, Japan
2—JOSE LEGRA, Spain
3—DWIGHT HAWKINS, Los Angeles, Cal.
4—CRUZ MARCANO, Venezuela
5—FIGHTING HARADA, Japan
6—FELIPE TORRES, Los Angeles, Cal.
7—JIMMY REVIE, England
8—FERNANDO SOTELO, Mexico
9—JOSE JIMENEZ, Mexico
10—RAUL ROJAS, San Pedro, Calif.

The welterweights, with Jose Napoles the champion, and Curtis Cokes the No. 1 contender, matched for a return fight, are lined up the way they were a month ago.

The junior welterweight class shows some changes, with Turk Kamaci, early conqueror of Willi Quatuor, showing up for the first time in the ratings, in No. 6.

The lightweight lineup lacks Carlos Ortiz, who has announced his retirement.

Arturo Lomeli, Mexico, has left the junior lightweights and moved up to No. 5 among the true lightweights.

Jesus Pimentel has been dropped from the bantams, his No. 10 spot going to the Mexican Julio Guerrero.

Among the flyweights, Chartchai Chionoi, beaten champion, has dropped to No. 3, with Berkrerk Chartvanchai, another Thai, moving up to No. 2 behind Hiroyuki Ebihara.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
LIONEL ROSE, Australia

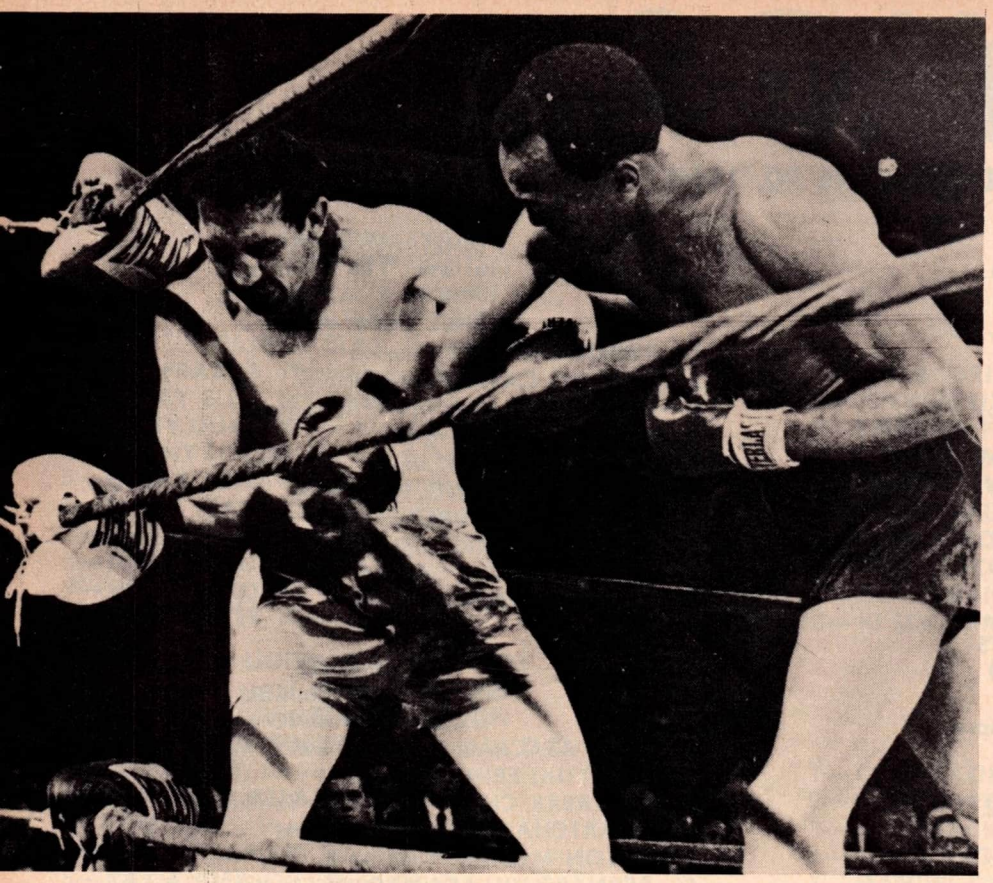
1—RUBEN OLIVARES, Mexico
2—CHUCHO CASTILLO, Mexico
3—KAZUYOSHI KANAZAWA, Japan
4—ALAN RUDKIN, England
5—TAKAO SAKURAI, Japan
6—DOMI MANALANG, Philippines
7—SALVATORE BURRUNI, Italy
8—JOHNNY CLARK, England
9—LEO CALDERON, Mexico
10—JULIO GUERRERO, Mexico

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ALACRAN EFREN TORRES, Mexico

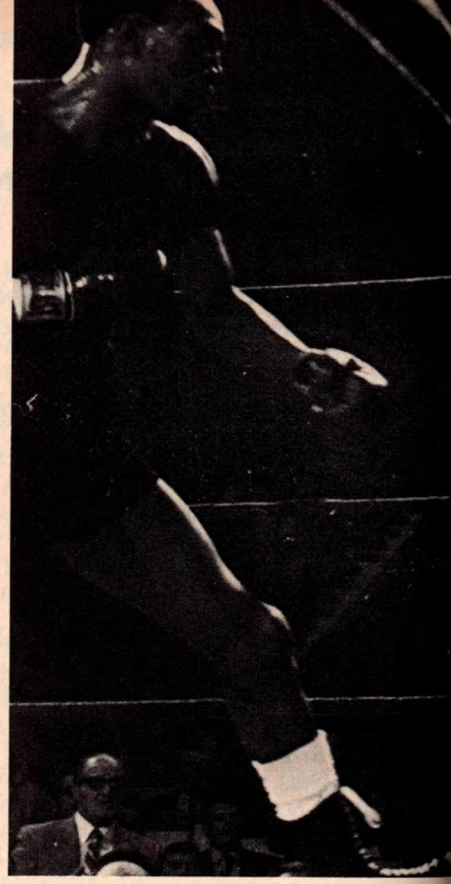
1—HIROYUKI EBIHARA, Japan
2—BERKRERK CHARTVANCHAI, Thailand
3—CHARTCHAI CHIONOI, Thailand
4—RATON MOJICA, Nicaragua
5—BERNABE VILLACAMPO, Philippines
6—JOSE SEVERINO, Brazil
7—ERBITO SALAVARRIA, Philippines
8—FERMIN GOMEZ, Mexico
9—OCTAVIO GOMEZ, Mexico
10—WALTER McGOWAN, Scotland

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

Names	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Joe Bugner England	12/67	17	16	1	0	13
LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT						
Mike Quarry Los Angeles, Cal.	4/68	3	3	0	0	1
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Johan Louw Edmonton, Canada	11/68	4	4	0	0	3
WELTERWEIGHT						
Dick Finley Los Angeles, Cal.	3/69	10	9	1	0	3
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Ramiro Bolanos Ecuador	4/68	6	6	0	0	5
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Gerardo Ferrat Mexico	10/68	4	4	0	0	1
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Shintaro Uchiyama Japan	2/69	5	4	0	1	2
FLYWEIGHT						
Luis Estaba Venezuela	2/67	11	10	1	0	6



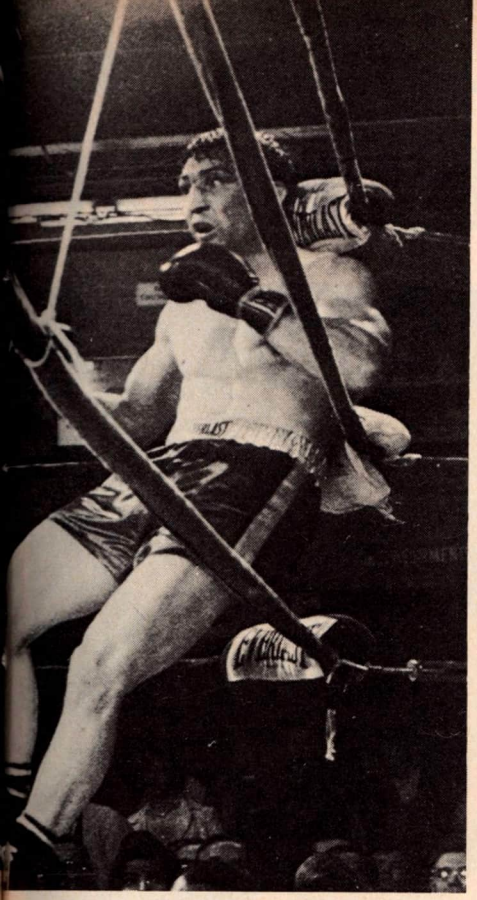
Light-heavyweight champion Bob Foster pummels challenger Andy Kendall, who is trapped in a corner in the fourth round of their West Springfield, Mass. title bout. The contest was stopped a few moments later.



Kendall is wide-eyed as he watches the approaching menace about to come in at him with both fists flying.

Where Does Foster Go After Four-Round Win Over Kendall?

Foster lands a hard left to the jaw of Kendall in the third round of their nationally-televised contest.



By DON HAMILL

WEST Springfield, Mass.—It wasn't much of a fight, after all. Bob Foster's fourth-round KO over Andy Kendall stressed the plight in which titleholders in that class invariably and inevitably find themselves. They have nobody to fight in the 175-pound division.

As a consequence, they look across the fence into the heavyweight class, and discover that they are not eligible for that title against bigger, more powerful and stronger men.

Foster went into the Kendall fight with the Portland, Ore. man rated No. 4 contender by The Ring.

The Ring had Dick Tiger, No. 1; Gregorio Peralta, Argentina, No. 2; Tom Bogs, Denmark, No. 3, and then Kendall.

Who stands before Foster now? Tiger, having been stopped in four rounds by Bob, does not appear to rate a return match.

Peralta refuses to fight out of South America, and Bogs says he has quit the light heavies and henceforth will compete as a middleweight.

This situation will force Foster to invade the heavies. He has been in that locality in the past, unsuccessfully.

The fight with Kendall played up the Oregonian's gameness. He fought his heart out. But not in size or reach or power or boxing skill did he stand up to the champion. It was no match.

The clouting light heavyweight champion didn't require much effort or time to demonstrate his superiority in his second title defense. His potent right crashed against the chin of Kendall in the Eastern States Coliseum and the fight was over in 1:15 of the fourth round when referee Bill Connelly halted the one-sided affair.

It was the 29th knockout victory in 39 contests for the champion and his 35th triumph. Despite the sparse attendance of 2571 and receipts of $33,440, the victor received $50,000 for the short engagement —the entire TV fee. It was the champion's 14th straight victory and his seventh consecutive knockout.

Where now for Foster? He and his manager are considering entering the heavyweight field, but the lanky champion will find the opposition of a different calibre than the weaklings among the light heavies.

In his pre-fight interview Foster said, "The fight won't last long," and his prophecy came true. The bout was held in the afternoon and proved what already was well known—that Foster had little to fear in the competition available in his division.

He went into the ring a 1 to 4 favorite. He was pressured only once, in the latter part of the third round, when Kendall battered him with a two-fisted attack.

The stringbean champion, who had a 9½-inch arm advantage and 5½ inches in height, was the master in the other rounds.

"He can clout," said Kendall after the fight.

That was obvious by the manner in which the fight ended. Kendall had started a right for the chin, but before it made target, the champion let go his right and it landed with power against the challenger's jaw.

Kendall was hurt. He was caught coming in and was sent staggering into the ropes.

Quick as a flash Foster rushed forward and let go a barrage. Kendall was unable to avoid the blows. When Foster finally stepped back at the referee's command, Kendall slipped to the canvas.

Amid cries of the spectators to halt the affair, the official stepped in and called a halt.

At the time of the stoppage the referee had a 29 to 29 tally while judge Jack Sharkey, former world heavyweight king, scored it 29 to 27 for Foster and judge Hashim, 30 to 29 for the victor.

Kendall was cut over the left eye in the third round, his best.

In his dressing room Foster remarked to Kendall that the challenger used his elbows freely. "I'd better learn how to do that," he added, "it pays off."

The champion scaled 175 pounds to one less for his opponent.

Failure of the fight to draw better did not surprise boxing students in this area, even though West Springfield is a short drive from Broadway.

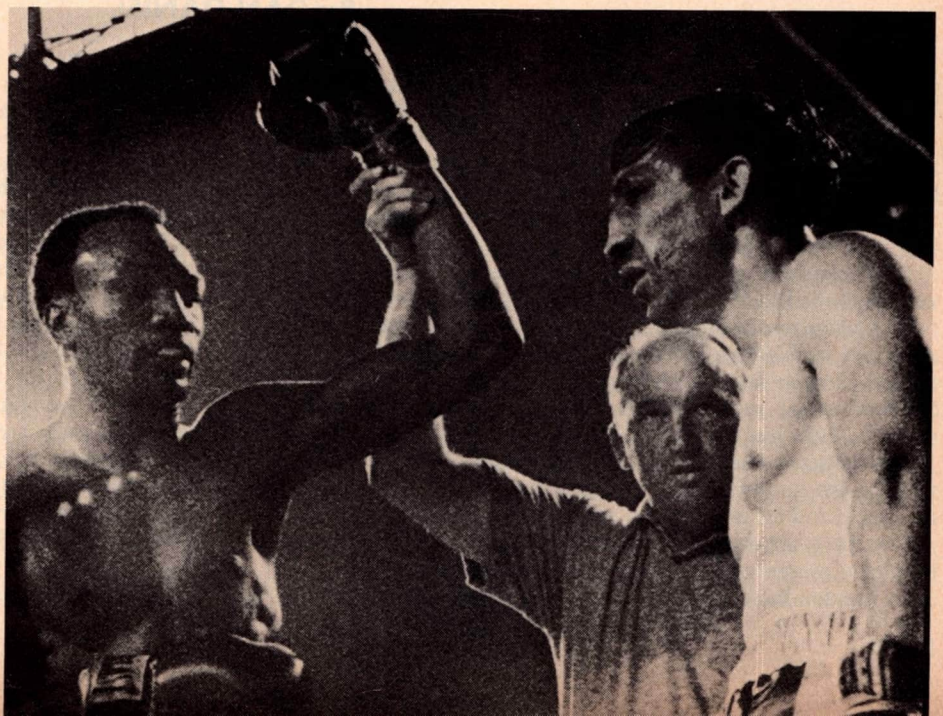
The promoters put a $30 top on a fight which was a $5 attraction in this neighborhood.

There are few $30 boxing enthusiasts around here and the promoters should have known it before undertaking the venture.

There was a decided scarcity of Negro customers. Somebody who took the trouble to count said there were about 30. This, of course, traced not to apathy toward Foster but to lack of moolah for ringside seating.

West Springfield never has been much of a fight town, and it would appear to be safe to predict that it will not again see a world championship battle with a $30 top.

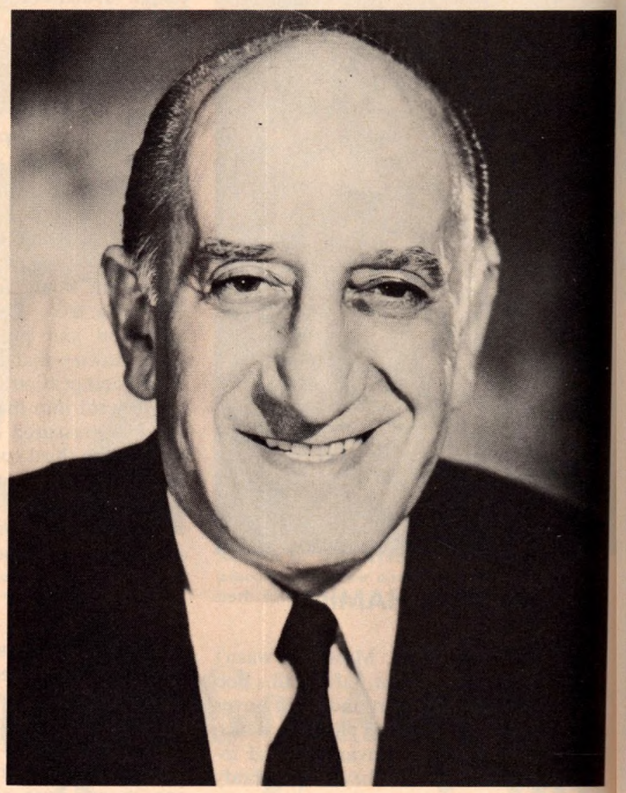
Referee Bill Connolly raises Foster's hand in token of victory after halting the match at 1:15 of the fourth round.



SOLOMONS - LEVENE, VENDETTAS RAGE

EATON - PARNASSUS 6,000 MILES APART

JACK SOLOMONS



HARRY LEVENE

AILEEN EATON

GEORGE PARNASSUS

By DAN DANIEL

BY its very nature, boxing is a sport of vendetta, confrontation and contention. It features these outcroppings in the ring, but quite often to a greater degree in the fierce rivalries of promoters.

The fighters do their stints, get paid—we hope—tell why they won or lost, and move on.

The promoters almost always are static geographically. They are established in their various locales, and sometimes there are two of them in one spot. That means battling for matches, bidding and outbidding for the services of champions, and continuous struggle for the sports page headlines.

There aren't many of these vendettas. There haven't been many in fistic history.

Tex Rickard had no rival in New York. Jim Coffroth had none in the good old days in San Francisco. Mike Jacobs had no long standing promotional fights on his hands in Gotham.

But there are vendettas in the promotional field today, and they take precedence over any others of the past.

In London there is a vehement rivalry between Jack Solomons and Harry Levene.

In Los Angeles, there is a pronounced feud between Mrs. Aileen Eaton and George Parnassus, her onetime matchmaker at the Olympic, who has gone in for himself in the new Forum at suburban Inglewood.

These promotional feuds seldom get the notice which their punch by punch stories merit. The promoters involved are realists. They know that boxing space is not as lavishly centered in 1969 sports pages as they were back in the Dempsey heyday. If there is space for boxing, they want it for their coming attractions and not for themselves.

Do not get the impression that these entrepreneurs of the squared circle are self effacing, headline shunning altruists. They are thoroughly human, with all the ferocity of their battle for a buck, and they pack stories of intense human interest. Ergo, their appearances in this story, the first of its kind yet published in The Ring Magazine, which has been leading in its field for 48 years.

Solomons and Levene are as unlike each other as are ancient London and New York.

Aileen Eaton and Parnassus, the 73-year-old refugee from the restaurant field, are unlike each other not only in sex, Aileen being the only woman who has made a standout success in her field, but in personality, methods and goals.

Solomons and Levene are out and out feudists, not beyond harsh words for each other. They never give an inch, they fight hard, and by the rules. The British Board of Boxing Control keeps a sharp eye on the game in Britain, and will tolerate no hankypanky or corner cutting.

Jack Solomons and Harry Levene have had their successes, they have had their failures, as well. You don't always guess right in boxing promotion. You don't always get a fair night. It sometimes rains, sometimes there is one of those London pea soup fogs and your fight fan prefers to stay home.

Solomons has one of the most interesting stories available to the reader of fistic romance. He was born with six fingers on each hand. His mother was scared. She insisted that the surgeons take care of those useless digits.

Jack was born on December 10, 1900, in the modest three room setup of the Solomons on Petticoat Lane in the, sadly enough, unfashionable East End of London. Now the promoter and his Fay—nee Fanny Golding—luxuriate on the swank West End.

Jack tried to be a professional boxer. But Fay said, "It's me or the ring," and after two or three showings, Jacob quit the roped arena.

The fortunes of the Solomons family, Jack and his brother Max, with headquarters at 47A Ridley Road, were established in the fish business.

It was Jack's habit to arise at six and off to the wholesale markets of Billingsgate, that fount of rich and classic English and source of whitebait, turbot, sole and the various varieties of the finny that go into a Jewish specialty called gefilte fish.

It was in 1931 that Jack Solomons tired of the attar of roses which usually is associated with fish markets and opened a small time boxing club in the London Ghetto. He lost $1,250 on his infant venture. But he refused to become discouraged.

In 1935 Solomons picked up a decrepit abandoned church, and set up the Devonshire Club. One could buy a ringside seat on a Sunday afternoon for three shillings.

Jack entered the big field of boxing promotion in 1945. He leased the Tottenham Hotspurs football field for the fight in which Bruce Woodcock *(Continued on page 61)*

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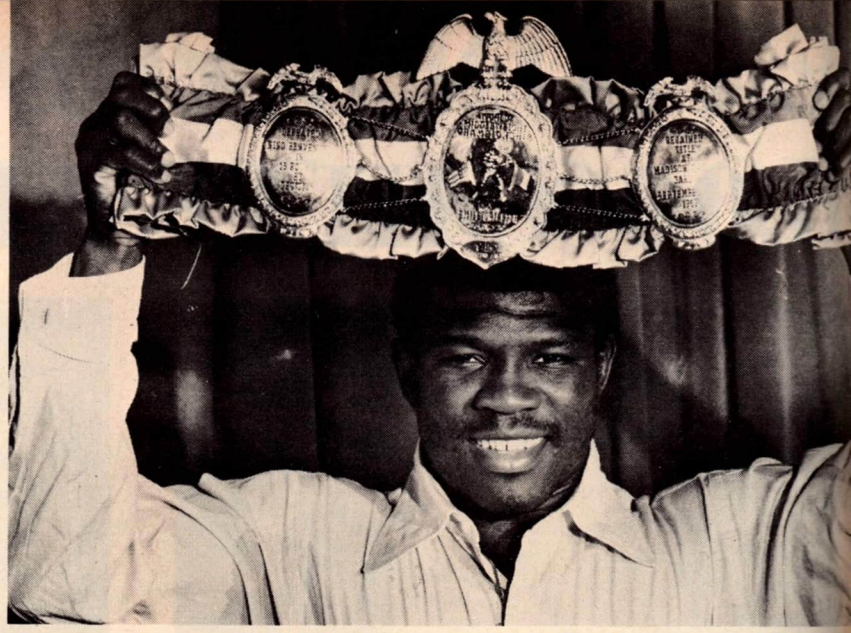
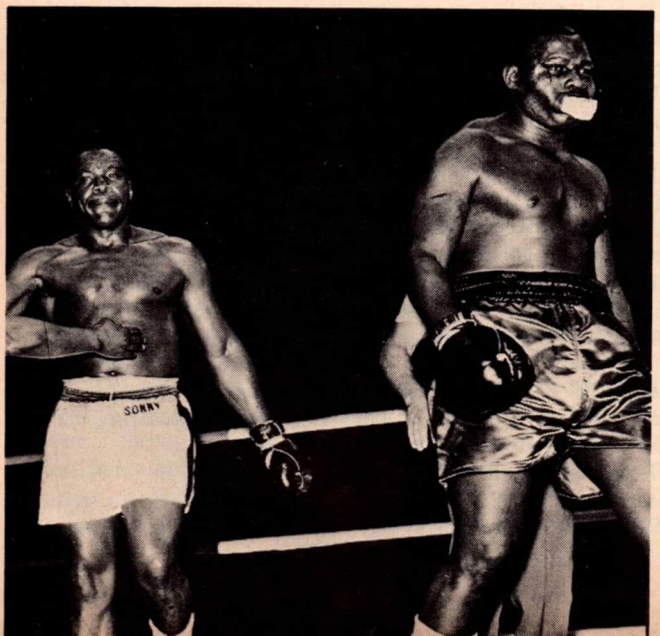


Emile Griffith happily displays middleweight championship belt presented to him recently by The Ring. It was the fifth belt captured by Emile, this for recapturing the 160-pound crown from Nino Benvenuti in 1967. Griffith is hoping to add another to his collection.

Donato Paduano, young welterweight sensation from Montreal, receives big kisses from Franca Giuntini (left) and Franca Borelli, lady harness racing drivers from Italy, during a visit to Blue Bonnets Raceway, Montreal.

Former world heavyweight king Rocky Marciano flexes his muscles in front of the ancient Colosseum in Rome, Italy on a recent visit.

Scrapiron Johnson, mouthpiece askew, walks to his corner after being stopped by ex-heavyweight king Sonny Liston at 2:55 of the seventh round of their bout at Las Vegas recently.

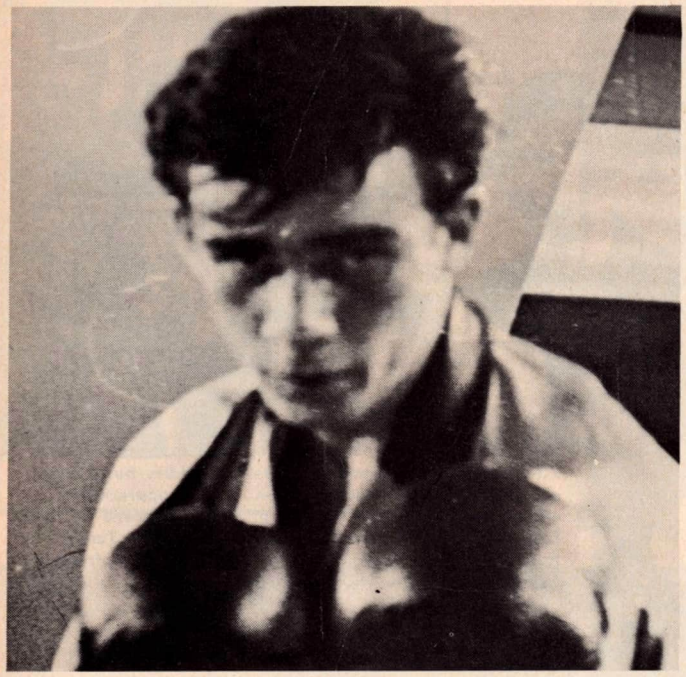


A bearded Jerry Quarry takes time out to talk things over at Norton AFB in San Bernardino, Calif., with Marine and Air Force personnel en route to Viet Nam. The lady is AF Lt. Col. Maria De Jesus.

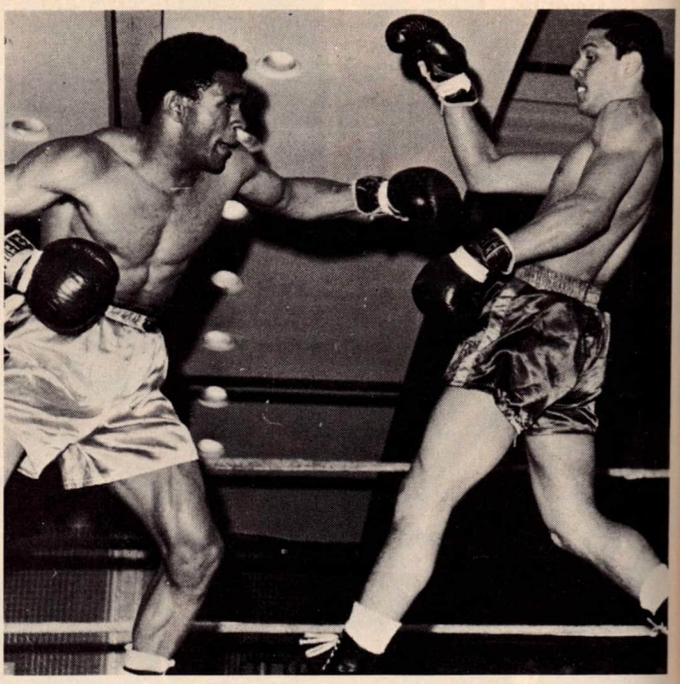
73-year-old Jack Dempsey plays the fiddle, but 72-year-old Gene Tunney doesn't seem to be appreciating his efforts during a little funfest in Chicago, scene of their famed "long count" battle in 1927, in which Tunney retained the heavyweight crown he had won from the Manassa Mauler in Philadelphia in 1926.

Sugar Ray Robinson intently watches featherweight king Johnny Famechon work out in the Thomas A' Beckett gym in South London, England.

Light-heavyweight Frank DePaula (right) enters U.S. Commissioner's office, accompanied by a marshal after being arrested on a charge of allegedly stealing copper from interstate shipments. Scheduled to meet Don Fullmer at Madison Square Garden, DePaula's license was suspended by the N. Y. State Athletic Commission.



Oscar Gonzalez, considerado el mejor prospecto del reciente campeonato de aficionados de "Guantes Latinos," celebrado en la Maritime Union Hall.



Freire Rollins, del equipo de la Maritime Union, lanza fuerte derecha frente a Jimmy Rivera en el torneo de los Guantes Latinos. Rivera gano el campeonato welter, pero, Rollins fue considerado con las mejores posibilidades para triunfar en los "pros."

SALEN BUENOS PRODUCTOS DE LOS TORNEOS AFICIONADOS

By PEDRO GALIANA

EN temprano todavia, pero, puede decirse que dentro de dos años cuando mas, el boxeo professional que area metropolitana va a verse enriquecido por una serie de figuras hispanas de extraordinarias condiciones que han de darle enorme colorido a los programas que se organicen.

Hace 5 años solamente, las figuras hispanas eran personajes aislados en el boxeo de New York. Chegui Torres era campeon mundial. Carlos Ortiz era campeon mundial. Benny Paret era campeon mundial, y asi sucesivamente. Pero, en conjunto, el material hispano no presentaba buena perspectiva. Tan solo se veían segundones del ring. Muchachos incapaces de ir lejos en la industria.

Hoy es todo lo contrario. Lo que abundan son precisamente las figuras. Y, como si las que existen consagradas ya fueran pocas, ahi tenemos en movimiento dos interesantes torneos de aficionados: El de los Guantes Dorados del New York Daily News y el del periodico hispano "El Tiempo," que están sirviendo para poner en circulacion una serie de muchachos que, con mayor experiencia, resultaran positivas figuras del deporte.

La practica demuestra que no hay nada como éstos torneos de aficionados para reanudar el material activo en las filas profesionales. En Cuba, cuando la isla era democráctica, se seguía anualmente ese procedimiento de renovacion y así, despues que desaparecieron Kid Charol, Kid Tunero, Cirilin Olano, Black Bill, Kid Chocolate, Lalo Dominguez, Kid Gavilan, Johnny Cruz y los demas, crecieron y se desarrollaron nuevas figuras de valor, que despues ocuparon tambien puestos primerisimos en el tinglado del boxeo mundial. Benny Paret fue uno de ellos. Lo mismo que Chico Varona, Louis Manuel Rodriguez, Ultiminio Ramos, Florentino Fernandez, Baby Luis, y ahora tenemos a Jose Mantequilla Napoles.

Esto mismo ha ocurrido en todos los paises de habla hispana donde se efectuan competencias de aficionados. En Mexico, por ejemplo, muchos de los grandes productos que ahora exhibe el pais, surgieron de las filas aficionadas, y en Puerto Rico el manantial parece inagotable. Colombia, Peru, Chile, Venezuela, Argentina y Brasil pasan por la misma experiencia, y, esto quiere decir que en toda la America Latina existe verdadera evolucion de valores, desarrollándose una serie de muchachos que en poco tiempo han de llamar mundialmente la atencion. Por eso nosotros hemos seguido con verdadero interes el torneo de los Guantes Latinos organizado por el periodico "El Tiempo," seguros de que en el mismo habia figuras de interes, lo suficientemente equipados para triunfar en la profesion, para pensar que, viendole en los cuadrilateros, estabamos asistiendo al resurgir de futuras estrellas.

En el torneo de los "Guantes Latinos" se vieron muchos muchachos de categoria. En todas las divisiones. Pero, creemos no exagerar al afirma que, entre todos los participantes, el jovencito Oscar Gonzalez, de Puerto Rico, resulto una de las figuras de mayor atraccion, por su valentia, su coraje, su punch, y, su decision de seguir siempre sobre su rival, cualquiera que éste fuera. Gonzalez brindo cuatro peleas monumentales durante el curso del torneo, y su demonstracion final, frente a Henry Ocasio, para ganar finalmente la corona de los pesos ligeros, le vallió ser considerado "la mejor promesa de la competencia," por el Comite Seleccionador que nombraron los organizadores. Nosotros no creemos que este Comite se haya equivocado. Oscar Gonzalez luce, efectivamente, una *(Continued on page 44)*

The Chatter Box

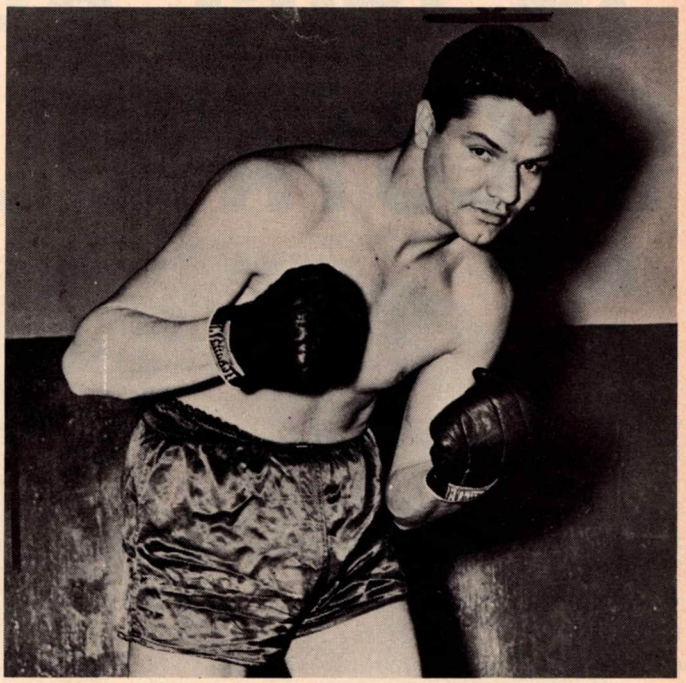
By JOHN ORT

ODDITY OF THE MONTH—Chicago fans had a big laugh last month when a local heavyweight named Tony "Rocky" Longo climbed into the ring and realized he had forgotten to put on his trunks! Rocky, who was making a comeback, did not fare too well. He was knocked out in the first round by Pedro Sanchez of Miami. This is really being caught with your pants down!

Two ring officials were at odds in Milwaukee when the semi-windup between middleweight Jimmy Caldwell and Joey Blair ended on a wild note. The action went like this: Caldwell was nailing his opponent throughout the first three rounds. In the fourth, he lambasted Blair with hooks until the poor kid was helpless. The ring doctor, seeing this, jumped into the ring just before the referee was going to stop the bout. The referee was indignant at the doctor stopping the bout. He claimed it was his right. But everything ended up copacetic, inasmuch as the main objective of saving Blair from further punishment was accomplished.

The Japanese boxing commission has a unique way of granting boxing licenses. They have three categories, A, B, and C. A "C" license is granted a boy after he has boxed two rounds before the commission. This entitles him to box four-round bouts. After he wins four fights he moves up to a "B" and six-round bouts. Then, if he wins three more bouts, he moves into the main event class which is an "A" classification. The commission can make a special ruling and move a man up. An example of this was Takao Sakurai, the rated bantamweight.

New Orleans boxing promoter Lou Messina writes that the new 17,000-seat Rivergate Exhibition Center is now open. He will stage bouts there in the near future . . . Ex-bantamweight and featherweight king Harry Jeffra is now manager of the Pimlico race track stables . . . Charley "Hobo" Williams, middleweight of the Thirties, is an executive in his son's road-paving company in Baltimore, Md. . . . Former middleweight champion Billy Soose was elected to the Mercer County Hall of Fame . . . Archie Moore has a new heavyweight protege named Reuben Kenyatta. Archie discovered Reuben on a recent tour of the African interior . . . Heavyweight Jerry Quarry's brother Mike is causing excitement on the West Coast with three straight wins . . . David Vasquez, the 1969 Open Golden Gloves flyweight champion, is turning pro under the guidance of Art Curley and Frank Ippolite David is now teaching boxing at St. Mary's Recreation Center in the Bronx . . . Warren Cabral, San Francisco fight manager, is now president of the Society for California Boxing . . . Milwaukee middleweight Billy Braggs is employed at the Pabst Brewing Company in his home town . . . Veteran lightweight and welterweight Armand Savoie of Canada started on his third comeback. Armand lost an eight-round decision to Luc Pivin in Montreal . . . Old-time boxer Larry Dayton retired from his production job at the Chevrolet River Plant in Buffalo . . . 20th Century-Fox announced that the film version of the Broadway play "The Great White Hope" will go into production this Fall. James Earl Jones will recreate his Broadway role on the screen . . . Joseph Gerace, who fought under the name of Joe Dempsey in the 1930s, died in Buffalo. He was 56 . . . Promoters in Syracuse, New York, are finding it hard to get a card together. Their show, headlining Dick DiVeronica and welterweight Marcel Bizien, failed to come off due to the lack of an undercard . . . Kansas City Royals' catcher Ellie Rodriguez was once an amateur boxer in the New York area . . . Angelo Dundee writes from Miami that heavyweight Andy "Big Boy" Brown will fight under his proper name, Rufus Brassell . . . Carlos Zayas from Springfield, Mass. is now campaigning as a flyweight. He is also claiming the North American flyweight title. Carlos is managed by Matt Mullaney . . . Former welterweight champion Kid Gavilan is recovering after a successful cataract operation on both eyes . . . Flyweight Benny Gerolaga, Oakland, Calif. turned pro last month by stopping Art Beltran in three. Benny was the 1967 Pan American flyweight king . . . Ex-featherweight champ Willie Pep will have his life enacted on the screen in the near future. Willie also refereed in Montreal, and did the color broadcast of the Foster-Kendall light heavyweight title bout for ABC-TV . . . Philadelphia middleweight George Benton is now his own manager . . . Rumor has it that Phoenix, Ariz. light heavyweight Tony Montano will hang up the gloves . . . Former bantamweight Johnny Clark and lightweights Fred Kelly and Pat Bearley were inducted into the Pennsylvania Hall of Fame . . . . Dave Oropeza, Phoenix, Ariz., who won the 1969 National Golden Gloves welterweight championship, scored his first pro win in Las Vegas . . . San Diego light heavyweight Ron Wilson will be on the shelf due to a broken jaw suffered in his bout with Roger Rouse . . . The Japanese Boxing Commission announced that Orient welterweight champion Musashi Nakano has retired due to health reasons . . . The Nevada State Athletic Commission upheld the right of its referees to stop fights despite complaints that bouts were being stopped too quickly . . . Veteran fight manager Joe Garfield is now doing business for middleweight Harold Richardson. Joe just offered middleweight king Nino Benvenuti $100,000 to fight Richardson in Augusta, Me. . . . Promoter Mike Jacobs' widow, Josephine Jacobs, died last month in Red Bank, N. J. She was 78 . . . The Swedish government is seeking to ban boxing in its country . . . Undefeated heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano was honored at the Sportsmen's World Awards banquet in Las Vegas . . . Pablo Gusman, who boxed as a *(Continued on page 60)*



BILLY SOOSE

JAPANESE BOXING, BORN IN 1905, HAS ENJOYED SPECTACULAR SUCCESS

By TED CARROLL

SINCE they are a people of relatively small stature the Japanese long have been noted for their devotion to the principle that good things come in small packages. The world of business is becoming increasingly aware of this as miniature Japanese products such as transistor radios, Toyota automobiles and midget television sets give headaches to international competitors. While the Nipponese logic may be Lilliputian, its results have been Brobdingnagian. For example Japanese boxers operating mainly in the smaller classes are playing an escalating role in these divisions.

The latest issue of Ring Magazine lists ten Japanese fighters among the world's rated boxers: Lightweight, Jaguar Kakizawa; Junior Lightweights, Champion Hiroshi Kobayashi, Yoshiaka Numata, Rokuro Ishiyama; Featherweights, WBA Champion Shozo Saijyo, Fighting Harada; Bantamweight, Takao Sakurai; Flyweights Hiroyuki Ebihara and Yoshiaki Matsumoto.

Of these named Fighting Harada is a double former champion and probably the most internationally noted of them all. Harada won the world's flyweight championship by beating Thailand's Pone Kingpetch in 1962 and lost it back to him the following year.

Harada came back to win the world's bantamweight title from Brazil's highly rated Eder Jofre in 1965. He defended it successfully against four international challengers including Jofre, before relinquishing it to Australia's Lionel Rose early in 1968.

Hiroyuki Ebihara brought the flyweight title back to Japan by defeating Kingpetch in 1963 only to lose it back to the tenacious Thailander in 1964. Yoshiaka Numata defeated the veteran Filipino, Flash Elorde, for the junior lightweight title in 1967 and lost it to fellow countryman Kobayashi the same year.

Shozo Saijyo was declared featherweight champion by the WBA after defeating Raul Rojas in California last year. Ebihara also fought for the flyweight crown in 1966 as did unlisted Katsuyoshi Takayama the same year.

Japan's first world boxing champion was Tokyo born Yoshio Shirai, a tiny, baby faced, buzz saw who won the flyweight title from Filipino Dado Marino in Tokyo in 1952. Shirai, following an amateur career, and service in the Japanese Army in World War II, was picked up by Dr. A. R. Cahn, a civilian worker for the Army during the early days of the U.S. occupation.

Shirai who was a fine little scrapper, did practically all his fighting in Tokyo, winning the championship in the Japanese capital and defending it successfully 4 times against Marino, Tanny Campo, Terry Allen, and Leo Espinosa before losing it to Argentina's Pascual Perez in Tokyo late in 1954.

According to the most reliable records, boxing was introduced into the Land of the Rising Sun in 1905 by A. M. Loughrey, a U.S. athlete there for the purpose of studying jiujitsu. Once initiated into the intricacies of the Manly Art the Japanese proved highly receptive to the sport, both as spectators and participants.

For many years competition was confined to amateurs. In 1909 the first Japanese fighters, Young Oyama, a lightweight, and Young Togo, a flyweight, appeared in California where J. J. 'Moose' Taussig, a prominent promoter of those day on the coast, interested himself in the Orientals.

The professional side of boxing received its first impetus in Japan during a tour of the country by U.S. fighters Spider Roache, a featherweight, and Young Ketchel, a welterweight. The Japanese were especially impressed by the littler Roache's speed and dexterity and the budding boxers of the country set out to emulate his style.

Amateur boxing was still favored in Japan and it was not until July 1922 that the first professional boxing show was staged there, on a Sunday.

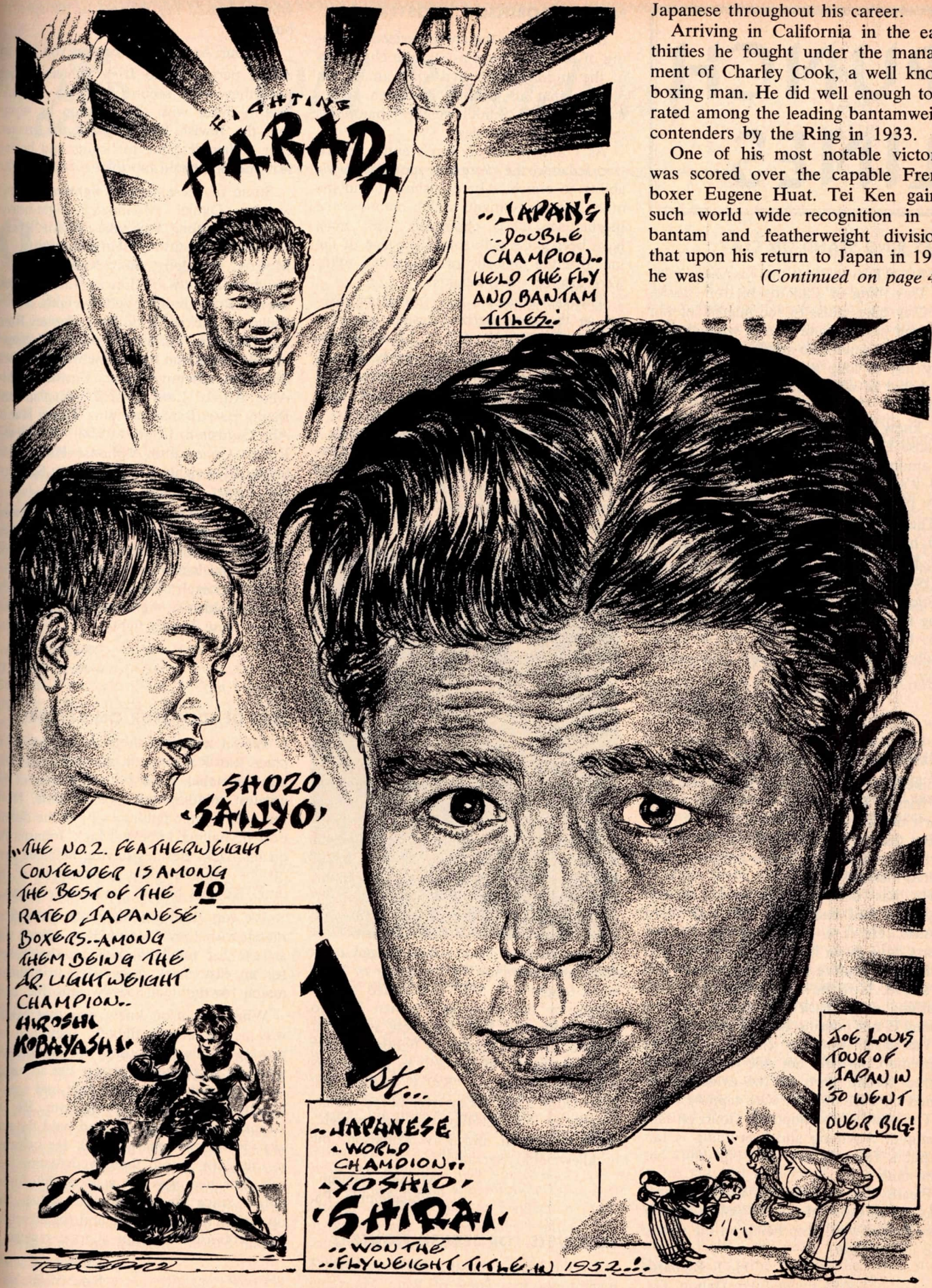
Yujiro Watanabe figured prominently in popularizing professional boxing in Japan in the nineteen twenties. In the States 'Moose' Taussig, who never lost his interest in the Japanese, was instrumental in the importation of their earliest boxing representatives into this country.

Included among these invaders were S. Otshu, a bantamweight; Tobuchi Kowata, a welter; Fukuo Kimura, another bantam; Einei Hattori, a bantam; Yoshio Nattori and Sueo Kirakawa, a lightweight.

The best of the first Japanese pros, according to legend, was Tsumeo Horiguchi, a Waseda collegian, who was called "The Piston" because of his rapid fire precision punching.

Kanao Nakamura, a rugged southpaw Taussig protégé, who campaigned on the Coast became a writer when he finished his career in the ring.

The pioneer Japanese battlers, while showing plenty of spirit, heart, and willingness found contendership status hard to attain. The first to establish himself as a solid challenger for a title was Korean born Joe Tei Ken, raised in Japan. Tei Ken began his boxing career there and was referred to as



Japanese throughout his career.

Arriving in California in the early thirties he fought under the management of Charley Cook, a well known boxing man. He did well enough to be rated among the leading bantamweight contenders by the Ring in 1933.

One of his most notable victories was scored over the capable French boxer Eugene Huat. Tei Ken gained such world wide recognition in the bantam and featherweight divisions, that upon his return to Japan in 1937, he was *(Continued on page 49)*

PUNCH LINES

LIKES RING STAND ON CLAY

I WANT to tell you that you have guts. This thing of standing up for Cassius Clay takes guts. In the interest of fair play and justice—and I am a white Southerner—you cannot do anything but support Clay just so long as there is a chance in court that he will be cleansed of his felony charge.

I know how you feel in this situation because I have been having a lot of trouble among my friends. We go out to lunch and it's the same old story—the Cassius Clay problem.

They flay me for supporting the stand that he is entitled to the full process of law. Funny part is, some of these antis are lawyers, as I am, and know better.

Stick with it. I have been reading The Ring for nine years and never have found it to be on the wrong side of the fence, legally and morally. Keep hammering away.

John Thomas Talliaferro
Atlanta, Ga.

DISLIKES RING STAND ON CLAY

I like The Ring. It is written for me and my friends. It is the best written and edited sports magazine in the world.

But there is one thing wrong. Your supporting draft dodger, yellow-bellied, white-livered Cassius Clay.

He has disavowed America citizenship. He had been with the draft card burners. He is a felon, and the Federal courts have given him five years in jail.

The bad feature about this is that he is so stupid. Now he knows that the Black Muslims won't back him up if his ring money is not pouring into Muslim coffers.

You had your big chance when the Supreme Court did not rule for him, only barred certain parts of the evidence obtained by FBI through wire tapping.

The stand of the Supreme Court on taps is stupid. Anything and everything is fair to put a felon in jail. The big court has gone nuts.

Please stop backing up Cassius Felon Clay. In all other matters of policy I never have faulted you. Stop being on the wrong side in this case.

H. J. Richards
Dalton, Ga.

NO RAY ROBINSON BOOSTER

In reference to the computerized crowning of Ray Robinson as all time champion of the middleweight division, I am of the opinion that an injustice has been perpetrated toward middleweight champions throughout the decades.

As I understand it, Ray's entire record was fed into the computer along with his ability to punch, take punishment and the other accomplishments which compose the mechanisms of a champion. This must have been done with total disregard of the fact that the majority of Robinson's fights were against welterweights.

This fact creates a total imbalance insofar as the computerized results are concerned. The height of 5 ft. 11 in. Robinson was an asset hard to nulify by the strength of a welterweight. However, a middleweight's power would have been enough to offset this.

The punching power Ray displayed as a welterweight was lacking in his middleweight fights. True, Ray stopped some good middleweights such as Belloise and Graziano but Rocky was over the hill and Belloise had fought Ken Overlin for the title many years before he fought Robinson.

Perhaps the most elegant feather in Robinson's cap was his KO of Gene Fullmer, but for a truly great puncher this isn't much of an accomplishment considering he fought Fullmer a total of almost 50 rounds and could put him down and defeat Gene only once.

Where was the extraordinary cleverness attributed to Robinson? One victory out of four against a crude Fullmer? Hardly an indication of an exceptional ringman. What happened to the elusive and formidable chin when a light hitting Rocky Castellani dropped Ray with a left hook?

I also recall a mediocre middleweight Ralph "Tiger" Jones who all but chased Ray out of the ring. The pound for pound king would never agree to fight him again. I can't help but become slightly nauseated at this pound for pound cliché when I recall the night a 5′ 11″ full fledged middleweight champion by the name of Robinson fought a 5′ 5½″ overstuffed welterweight by the name of Carmen Basillio and lost his title. Let's take note again that Basillio, after 30 rounds of fighting against Ray, was never off his feet. In fact, it was Ray who was almost "KO'd" in their first fight. Quite a feat for an overstuffed welterweight, or has Basillio, the welterweight, been underrated and Ray Robinson, the middleweight, overrated?

Michael Palumbo
Philadelphia, Pa.

BOUQUETS FOR JEWISH FIGHTERS

I have been a boxing fan ever since I bought my first copy of Ring Magazine which aroused my interest in the sport of boxing.

In your April, 1969 edition you had an article pertaining to Irish fighters, stating how they were second to none. I would like to differ with this opinion by saying that the Jewish fighters were the greatest ever. When it came to brains and boxing skill, no one could top them.

Some of these terrific fighters: Heavyweight, Daniel Mendoza; Light-heavyweights, Battling Levinsky, Maxie Rosenbloom, Bob Olin; Middleweights, Al McCoy, Ben Jeby, Solly Krieger; Welterweights, Ted "Kid" Lewis, Jackie Fields, Barney Ross; Junior Welterweights, Mushy Callahan, Jackie "Kid" Berg, Barney Ross; Lightweights, Benny Leonard, Al Singer and Barney Ross; Junior Lightweights, Jack Bernstein, Benny Bass; Featherweights, Abe Attell, Lewis "Kid" Kaplan and Benny Bass; Bantamweights, Harry Harris, Abe Goldstein, Charley "Phil" Rosenberg, Robert Cohen and Alphonse Halimi; and finally Flyweights, Corporal Izzy Schwartz and Victor "Young" Perez.

Let us not forget other fighters who were good punchers but who never became champions. Boxers like Lew Tendler, lightweight and welterweight; Sid Terris, lightweight; Leach Cross, lightweight, and Ruby Goldstein, lightweight. So let's not forget these Jewish fighters.

Harris Levinson
Astoria, N. Y. C.

SEES DEADLY SLUR ON KETCHEL

Would it be fair to Stanley Ketchel, to place Ray Robinson in the same class with him? Ketchel must be rated one of the greatest middleweights of all time. He is the only lighter fighter to have the distinction of having knocked Jack Johnson flat on his back. Besides having defeated most of the middleweight contenders of his time, Ketchel bested good heavyweights.

We can eliminate Robinson through his match with Joey Maxim. Ray, always with an eye for publicity, was on the lookout for an easy mark; succeeded in getting a match for the light-heavyweight title.

What Robinson knew was that Maxim was a one armed fighter. Joey had lost power in his right arm in an accident when he was young. Despite the advantage in age, speed of arm and foot and normal hitting power, Ray lost the bout. He had stepped out of his class, and paid the penalty. Robinson became tired. He collapsed in the 13th round, thereby defeating himself. The heat was not a good abili for his defeat, since Maxim, the older fighter, held up well. This match one and for all proved that Robinson was not a great puncher.

Anthony Caldario
New York, N. Y.

UP AND DOWN

Old Broadway

By SAM TAUB

ON Broadway you eventually catch up with many former members of the Queensberry game in Jack Dempsey's. Ran into Lieut. Robert A. Fliegel, U.S. Navy, who, like his dad, Ernie, always visits with the Manassa Mauler when in New York. Papa Fliegel was a fighter, manager and promoter in Minneapolis . . . Ernie, who was a featherweight, managed King Tut, Frank Battaglia and King Levinsky. He is owner of the 620 Club in Minneapolis, the largest turkey restaurant in the world.

There's more to the story. It was Dempsey who introduced Fliegel to his wife, Eileen Albee, of the Four Albee Sisters of Minneapolis, famed theatrical quartette. They tendered Ernie a dinner on his 65th Birthday last May 9 at which many notables, including ex-welter weight king Jackie Fields, now in Las Vegas, were on hand.

Ernie's business partner was Max Winter, former president and now on the Board of Directors of the Viking football team in Minneapolis. Ernie and Max owned the Minneapolis Lakers, now operating in Los Angeles, who were world basketball kings for five consecutive years. His son Bob is making a career of the Navy, already with seven years in the service.

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Ran into Les Roberts, of London, in Dewey Fragetta's Broadway office. Les is promoter and matchmaker of the National Sporting Club of London, the oldest club in the world. He's associated with Jack Solomons. Promoted the Jose Legra and Howard Winston battle in Wales when Winston drew his biggest purse, $60,000.

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Frankie 'Jay' Jacobs, who was 66 last April 24, has had a checkered career in boxing. He's night manager of Jack Singer's Flame Steak House at 251 W. 42nd St. Formerly operated the Neutral Corner, 8th Avenue & 55th St., with Chickie Bogad. For a refresher course, Bogad used to be matchmaker for Madison Square Garden and St. Nicholas Arena, and Teddy Brenner, matchmaker for the Garden today, was his assistant. Bogad makes Miami his home.

Before becoming a manager, Frankie worked as a copy boy for Clarence Gillespie on the old Police Gazette. He became a manager in 1924, and in 1927 joined forces with the late Sol Gold. Managed Jackie 'Kid' Berg, former junior welter king . . . Tony Genaro, who battled Rocky Graziano three times, Kid Gavilan twice and Charlie Fusari twice. He stopped Beau Jack in the Garden before he was champion. Jacobs managed Sammy Dorfman, a featherweight; Petey Hayes, East Sider feather, who scored over Kid Chocolate at Ebbets Field; Phil Rafferty, lightweight, who scored a big upset over Bat Battalino, former feather king, in the Polo Grounds. Also managed Patsy Giovanelli, Brooklyn lightweight, who outpointed Bobby Ruffin when he was a big underdog, as well as popular Schoolboy Bernie Friedkin, Brownsville feather, who boxed a draw with Kid Chocolate.

Former Vice President Hubert Humphrey greets Ernie (center) and Lieut. Bob Fliegel. The Fliegels are pals of Jack Dempsey.

Jacobs was also associated with Jack Singer, his present boss at the Flame, in the management of Jorge Fernandez, South American welterweight, and Oscar Bonavena, the Argentine heavyweight.

Frankie has one son, Freddie, who is a Doctor of Philosophy in English in Denison College in Granville, Ohio. His son's wife, Jane was graduated last June from Ohio State.

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Many representatives of the World Boxing Association were present at the Boxing Writers' dinner at Grossinger's. Among them Bill Brennan, who is chairman of the Championships Regulations Committee as well as Vice President of the outfit, and Executive Secretary of the Virginia Commission. Brennan admits he was no world beater as a boxer but he did have two settos with former middleweight king Ken Overlin. With Bill was Ken Lewis, who is also affiliated with boxing in Richmond, Va.

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Archie Moore, a gallant warrior and former 175-pound boss, still makes the headlines. Recently word came from movieland that Archie was signed by Universal to appear in the picture, "My Sweet Charlie." Moore, who makes occasional trips to New York, always had a yen for the theatrical profession.

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Paul Fleck, Kitten Hayward's new manager, made his Gotham debut at a Garden luncheon.

Fleck, a native of Camden, N. J., who is—honest to goodness—a Sunday school teacher, in the sauna baths business . . . Fleck admits he never was a boxer but was a member of a midget football team. Before he became Hayward's manager, he was a Griffith rooter.

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While doing my Broadway rounds, ran into an old spar mate of Floyd Patterson, Obadiah 'Dusty' Rhodes, out of Hampton, Va., who had an unusual boxing career. He started as an amateur at fifteen and had thirteen years as a pro. Rhodes, now 26, is in the trucking business. "Dusty" was one of Floyd's sparmates when Patterson was training in Cicero for the scrap with Archie Moore in Chicago, which gave him the title vacated by Rocky Marciano. Rhodes also worked with the two time heavyweight king when he trained for his kayo of Roy Harris in Los Angeles.

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Jimmy O'Gatty, a crack middleweight in his era and brother of the late Packey O'Gatty, featherweight and former Ring Magazine contributor, pens a line from his home, 7021 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, Calif., to send regards to Nat Fleischer and the rest of the Ring staff.

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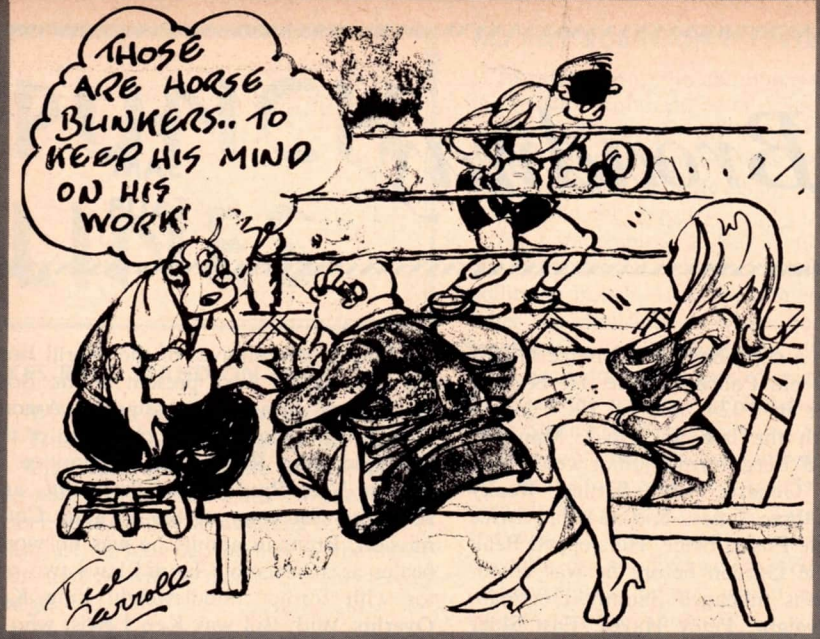
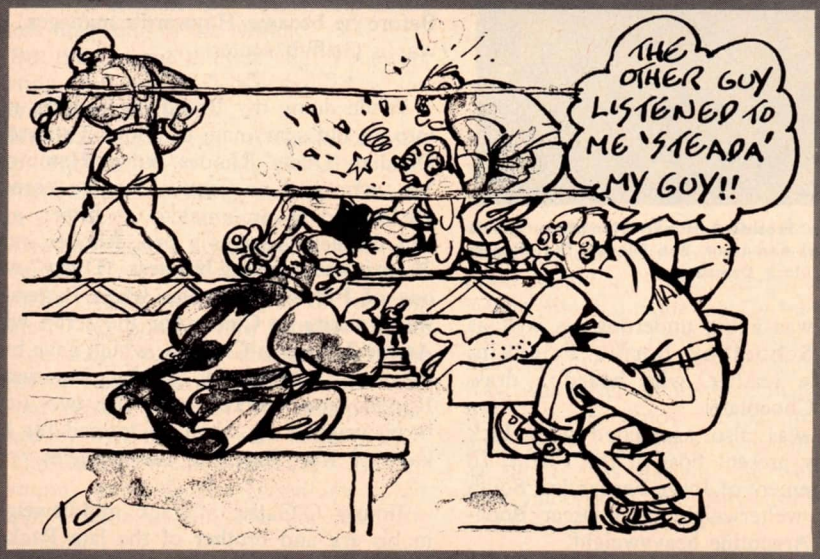


Alibis Galore: Take Your Pick



By FREDDIE EISENSTADT

BOXING managers, high and low, are prone to making excuses for their charges. Rarely do pilots admit defeat because the winners were dynamic punchers or superior artists. A deep pride in the skill of their ringmen—true or imagined—impels 33-percenters to protect the reputation of their fighters, or to blind them to their various defects. Thus most managers hypnotize themselves into believing the preposterous excuses they concoct.

This writer, a former boxer, has been in the sport a long time and has heard an amazing number of incredible "alibis," imaginative, whimsical, fantastic, silly, unbelievable. Those set down here may appear to be exaggerated, but they actually have been offered in evidence.

Let us start with this absurdity: "We was double-crossed by boxin' experts who tipped us that our opponent was a Fancy Dan whose punch couldn't dent a pillow. So my tiger, bein' somethin' of a show-off, was outdancin' an' outboxin' the clever guy fer six heats. What happened? My pug jus' plain wore hisself out."

Get a load of this one: "I am to blame for my boy dropping the duke to a mug he shoulda licked with one hand. You see, we boxed the guy twice before—and wuz robbed both times. I was sure we'd win this one. But I forgot about the opponent having attended college. So this smartie, having studied my pug's style, knew exactly how to outfox him. Which he did."

Now for other extravagant excuses: "Maybe you won't believe this, but we lost because my new trainer was very strong and put too much muscle in his work. Well, he put on so much force massaging my boy that he squeezed the strength out of him so that in the fight he was too weak to defend hisself. I'm to blame for our loss."

"Ye're gonna laugh, but my kid took the full count on his own desire. Ye see, this boy's got a sense of honor when it comes to bein' on time fer an appointment.

"Well, the night of the bout he had a date with his babe fer 10:30 P.M. He was sure he'd polish off his opponent inna round or two. So when he couldn't stow the tough mug away, an' the time fer the appointment got near, my scrapper let himself be hit onna button in the fift' heat an' got counted out. He coulda win easy, but he didn't wanna be late fer his date."

"Let me tell you, the picture-snappers was responsible for us blowing the duke. Not only did the flashlights make my youngster jumpy and nervous but they blinded him, so that he couldn't see the guy he was facing. Actually, my boy didn't lose the battle. The photogs blew it for him."

"Yep, we was kayoed. I ain't denyin' it.

..SINGING THE 'ALIBI' BLUES..!..

But I wanna explain how it happened. Ye see, I kept shoutin' advice to him—though he was doin' okay. So what happened? Well, insteada my kid takin' the advice, his opponent took it—an' that was it."

"What I'm gonna tell ye may sound goofy but my guy lost because his opponent boxed like a hitch-hiker, making use of his thumb in each of the ten rounds. An' the damn ref let the bum get away with it. Actually my boy won on a foul—dozens of 'em."

"My fighter being too sensitive cost us the duke. Because his opponent got a bigger hand, being introduced, it ruined his enthusiasm and busted his pride. He was slow . . . no power . . . defense poor. At that, the bout could've been called a draw."

"It was funny—that is, funny in a sad way. I mean, us losing to a mug we coulda flattened any time my scrapper wanted. As you know, my boy is a hell of a walloper, but ain't what you call scientific. Now the other guy had class . . . was fast and clever. My battler kept holding back his kayo punch for the last round, because he was anxious to study his opponent's ringwork. He gave away victory to get knowledge."

"Anyone in boxing—and even fans—know that having a swollen eye, the nose must not be blown—because it blows up the peeper to twice the size. Well, a hard blow puffed up my boxer's left optic the size of a baseball. And what does the dope do? Blows his schnoz. Well, the glim promptly blew up so that he couldn't see out of it. The other pug kept circling around and stabbing his kisser. That's how we lose."

"Yeah, my scrapper loses—but it's because he's a good husband. The night before the bout his wife gave birth to their first child. He was worried and nervous, pacing in the hospital, praying she should have an easy delivery. So, what with having practically no sleep, we blow the duke—a very close one."

"A real smart trick got our opponent the decision. The other manager knew that my fighter loves beautiful women, he being something of an artist. So the bum plants a doll at ringside and she kept flashing sweet smiles at him. Instead of keeping his eyes and mind on the fight, the kid kept glimming the dame."

"No fighter has a right to be tenderhearted. Having sympathy for his opponents is my scrapper's trouble. Having bloodied his rival's nose in the third, instead of pegging away at it—as I kept hollering—the sap let up. Fact is, he even pulled his punches, not wanting to hurt the guy, who has a big family."

"My battler lost because of the referee. You see, the *(Continued on page 49)*

.."HE WORE HIMSELF OUT IN THE WARD THE NIGHT BEFORE..!"

MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPIONS — PORTRAIT NO. 4

Jack Dempsey (nonpareil)
accepted the Fulljames challenge and the bout at Great Kills, Staten Island ended in the 22nd round with Dempsey scoring a knockout.
— July 30th, 1884.

Jersey Jones Recalls:

FOUR MORE OLD-TIMERS GONE

KID NORFOLK

THE thinning ranks of boxing's old-timers suffered further depletion recently when, within a brief span of ten days, final counts were droned over the mortal remains of Kid Norfolk, 76, in New York; George Barton, 84, in Minneapolis; Joe Woodman, 96, in New York, and Charley Weinert, 73, in East Orange, N. J.

Built along the same stocky, powerful lines of that great Hall of Famer Sam Langford, Norfolk (5-8, 170) was a smart, clever boxer and devastating puncher, and rated among the top light-heavyweights during the 1910s and early '20s.

As with Langford, the Kid's ring career was ended by threatened blindness, and when he finished he had totalled 106 bouts, with a winning total of 70, 40 by knockouts, against two draws, 12 defeats, 21 no-decision outings and one no-contest.

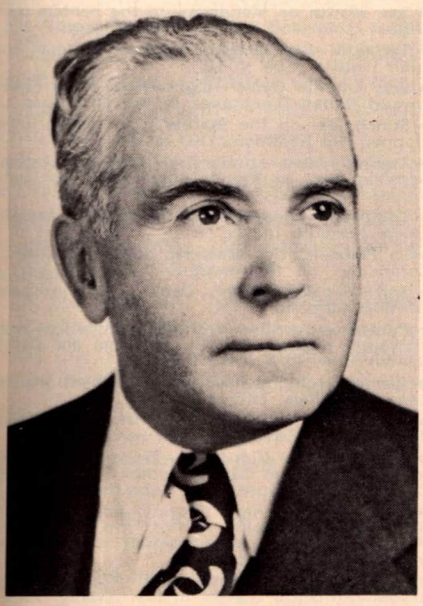
A native of Virginia, the Kid (nee Willie Ward) was working at the Panama Canal when he began fisticuffing in 1914. Out of loyalty to his home state, he adopted "Norfolk" as his *nom de ring*. Success was instantaneous, and he became a popular attraction in Isthmus rings. After accomplishing an impressive job of mopping up all the opposition the promoters in Colon and Panama City could toss at him, including other American imports, the Kid returned to the United States in 1917 and quickly established himself as an outstanding light-heavyweight. Managed by the ubiquitous Leo P. Flynn, he didn't confine his activities to his own division, but competed against heavyweights as well, and his busy campaigning carried him all over the United States, from New England to California, with occasional hops into Canada.

Boston was Norfolk's particular happy hunting grounds. In 12 starts in the Hub, he suffered only two defeats, and squared away both reverses in return matches. His most notable accomplishments in the New England metropolis were decisions over Billy Miske and Harry Greb.

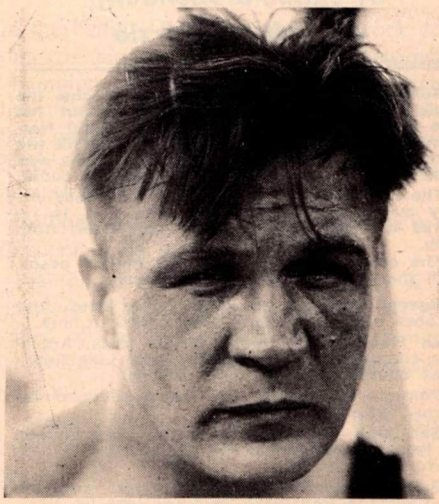
Veteran New Yorkers recall the drubbing Norfolk gave Battling Siki in the old Garden, when it was located at Madison Square, in 1923. It was Siki's first showing in an American ring, and the Singular Senegalese was soundly thrashed in 15 gruelling rounds.

It was failing vision that promoted the Kid's retirement in 1926 following two defeats by *(Continued on page 60)*

JOE WOODMAN



GEORGE BARTON



CHARLEY WEINERT

WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

For the Month Ending June 20, 1969

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Mac Foster kayoed Thad Spencer, one. Sonny Liston halted George Johnson, seven. Al Jones (Fla.) stopped Cleveland Williams, eight.

Bob Cleroux beat Bob Felstein, 10. John Jordan outpointed Willie McMillan, 10. Chuck Wepner defeated Mike Bruce, eight. Bill Drover halted Don Waldheim, two. Pedro Sanchez stopped Rocky Longo, one. Cornell Nolan kayoed Wayne Kindred, 10.

Joe Bugner decisioned Tony Ventura, eight. Jeff Merritt kayoed Mike Bruce, one. Angel Oquendo halted Bob Avena, five. Jim Gilmore beat Gary Bates, six.

Johnny Mac halted Aaron Eastling, five. Billy Padavone stopped Jerr Schalk, two. Lee Bates kayoed Johnny Gause, three.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Bob Foster stopped Andy Kendall, four, to retain world light heavyweight title.

Bob Dunlop beat Leweni Waqa, 10. Mark Tessman decisioned Cookie Wallace, 10. Eddie Avoth outpointed Jack Cotes, six. Jimmy Ralston kayoed Tony Montano, one. Billy Hester stopped Jimmy Rosette, four. Jimmy Dupree halted Johnny Persol, seven. Eddie Jones kayoed Roger Rouse, nine.

Hal Carroll outpointed Stanford Bulla, 10. Piero Del Papa stopped Van Duivenbode, five. Rocky Halliday beat Jimmy Cherico, 10. Allen Thomas decisioned Paul Patin, 10. Arnie Brower outpointed Billy Marsh, 10. Marsh defeated Eddie Spence, 10. Chuck Leslie beat Charlie Green, 10.

Vicente Rondon decisioned Karl Zurheide, 10. Dick Hall stopped Jim Hardiman, one. Richard Steele beat Eddie Talhami, 10. Richie Sudol beat Richie Wade, six. Ned Edwards kayoed Yucatan Fredericks, three. Mike Quarry halted Butch McCarthy, one, beat Bob Matthews, six.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Nino Benvenuti lost to Dick Tiger, non-title. Don Fullmer beat Juarez del Lima, 10, De Lima lost to George Benton, 10.

Carlos Monzon drew with Carlos Salinas, 10. Emile Griffith beat Stan Hayward, 12. Fraser Scott stopped Denny Moyer, two. Benny Briscoe halted Percy Manning, four. Mark Rowe outpointed Doug Huntley, eight. Jimmy Lester kayoed Pedro Miranda, six.

Ralph McCoy stopped Wilfredo Hurst, seven. Andy Heilman decisioned Rocky Hernandez, 10. Wade Smith beat Rudy Escobedo, 10. Junichi Nakajima decisioned Shigeaki Izumi, 10. Bill Douglas stopped Kenny Partlow, two.

Gordon Lott beat Luis Galvan, 10, lost to Danny Perez, 10. John Woodard beat Charles Lewis, six. Dom Ortiz outpointed Billy Lonergan. Lloyd Nelson drew with Hilton Whittaker, four.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Billy Backus beat Percy Pugh, 12. Raul Soriano stopped L. C. Morgan, two. Pete Toro decisioned Willie Munoz, 10.

Jean Josselin halted Silvano Bertini, eight, to win European welterweight title. Carmelo Bossi outpointed Ferdine Ahume, eight. Hisao Minami stopped Filipino Ravalo, 10, Orient welterweight title. Ryu Sorimachi halted Kazuyoshi Kubokura, four.

Manny Lugo beat Les Vegas, 10. Eddie Pace decisioned Joe Shaw, 10. Danny Heath outpointed Al Romano, 10. Cyclone Barth halted Fabian Leyva, nine. Luc Pivin outpointed Armand Savoie, eight. Johnny Burnside beat Dave Dittmar, eight.

Johnny Gant kayoed Nikita Tarhocker, six. Ted Cooper beat Bobby Hayman, six, halted Buck Jessup, two. Clyde Gray halted Clermont Bureau, three. Carlos Byrd outpointed Claude Wade, four. Ronnie Costa drew with Jose Rodriguez, four.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Nicolino Loche decisioned Carlos Hernandez, 15, retained world junior welterweight title.

Adolph Pruitt kayoed Rocky Medrano, two. Cemal Kamaci stopped Willi Quatuor, six. Eugene Espinoza beat Ismael Laguna, 10. Lion Furuyama kayoed Shigeru Ogiwara, four. Shim Chi Kadoto decisioned Benito Juarez, 10. Jose Colon beat Felix Jusino, four. Ray Mercado decisioned Felix Ortiz, four.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Mando Ramos kayoed Jerry Graci, seven, non-title. Ismael Laguna lost to Eugenio Espinoza, 10. Arturo Lomeli beat Frankie Narvaez, 12.

Pedro Carrasco stopped Ould Makloufi, five, Klaus Jacoby, two. Carlos Aro drew with Hector Pace, 10. Jaguar Kakizawa outpointed Flash Elorde, 10. Carlos Hernandez lost to Nicolino Loche, 15, world junior welterweight title.

Chanho Carmona halted Ramon Blanco, eight. Enrique Jana stopped Rene Macias, four, beat Gil Gallardo, 10. Jose Nieves kayoed Doug Charles, three. Rodolpho Gonzalez halted Juan Collado, nine. Ray Adigun stopped Lovell Franklin, four. Kazuhiro Sawaguchi kayoed Jerry Stokes, two.

Steve Freeman halted Blackie Zamora, 12. Baby Cassius defeated Bobby Rodriguez, 10. Gil King outpointed Leroy Youngblood, eight. Frank Otero halted Tommy Curtis, two. Edwin Viruet beat Otho Tyson, six. Carlos Soto stopped Paisano Ramos, four.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Yoshiake Numata drew with Juan Koiwa, 10. Carlos Canete beat Jose Acosta, 10. Richard Sue kayoed Luis Ramirez, five. Chucho Almazan halted Mario Diaz, six.

Calvin Woodland stopped Billy Wade, four. Augie Pantellas kayoed Castro Ramirez, six. Centavito Hernandez halted Gil Gallardo, six. Michiyo Sekiguchi beat Isao Shiiya, 10. Kenji Iwata won from Meriken Mori by kayo in four. Kenji Hayashi halted Hiroshi Shoji, three. Baby Luis stopped Bobby Rodriguez, one.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Johnny Famechon beat Jimmy Anderson, 10, non-title. Jimmy Revie halted Massaoud Boussaboua, six. Cruz Marcano beat Aurelia Muniz, 10.

Felipe Torres outpointed Ray Vega, 10. Manuel Calvo decisioned Kouider Meftah, 10. Alberto Reyes beat Katsuyashi Takayama, 10. Koji Ikeda drew with Rudy Alarcon, 10. Koichi Okada beat Willi Cordova, 10.

Kenjiro Nakajima stopped Kuwashi Shimiza, two. Ricardo Arredondo beat Flash Besande, 10. Kuniaki Shibata kayoed Kid Barrios, one. Antonio Hernandez stopped Rogelio Tulongharik, one. Rudy Villagonza halted Ken Nagamine, nine.

Jose Moreno kayoed Pedro Rodriguez, seven. Benny McCall stopped Pantheleon Davilla, one. Vicenet Garcia halted Pedro Gomez, six. Sammy Goss beat Leo DiFiore, 10.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Ruben Olivares kayoed Takao Sakurai, six. Kazuyoshi Kanazawa beat Won Sul Lee, 10. Leo Calderon stopped Bernabe Fernandez, three. Julio Guerrero halted Jose Valdovinos, six. Chuy Chavez won on a technical decision over Billy Brown, eight.

FLYWEIGHTS

Walter McGowan halted Michel Houdeau, four. Bergerg Chartvanchai beat Bernabe Villacampo, 10. Fermin Gomez kayoed Jose Cetina, seven. John McCluskey stopped Tony Barlow, 13, British flyweight title.

Heleno Ferreyro beat Ibrahim Alvarez, 10. Shiomi Tanaka outpointed Yuzo Narumi, 10. Masao Ohba decisioned Yoshiaki Matsumoto, 10. Fernando Atozi beat Wellington Vilella, 10.

LOCHE HITS DECK AGAINST HERNANDEZ ● BUT KEEPS TITLE ●

By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

Buenos Aires, Argentina—Nicolino Loche, the world junior welterweight champion, put his title on the line against Carlos (Morocho) Hernandez in a 15-round fight here. Loche hit the deck in the second heat while Hernandez was knocked down twice, neither time taking a count.

The champion scored a more or less easy victory over an unrated fighter and now is referred to Bruno Arcari, No. 1 contender, from Italy.

The contest drew a record 42 million pesos, with the peso at 2.8 cents American.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—In the junior welter class, Jose R. Sosa beat Marcelino Acevedo, TKO in nine.

▶ **La Plata**—In the junior welter class, Argentine champion Juan A. Aranda beat Luis Rodriguez Souza, Brazil, by TKO in nine.

▶ **Parana**—Welter Tito Del Barco whipped Roberto Chetta in 10.

▶ **San Juan**—In the junior middle class Ramón O. Pereyra beat Emilio Ale Ali, 10. berto Chetta in 10.

▶ **Salta Domingo**—"Chicho" Guerrero outpointed Cayetano Regatuzzo, middleweight, in 10.

▶ **Cordoba**—Junior welter Tristan Falfan and Martin Juarez drew in 10.

▶ **Santa Rosa**—Welter Miguel A. Campanino outpointed Antonio Montenegro, 10.

▶ **Puerta Madryn**—Welter Hector Palleres kayoed Hipólito Martinez in the seventh.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—Argentine and South American junior lightweight champion Carlos Cañete outpointed José Acosta, Mexico, 10.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—Argentine lightweight champion Avenamar Peralta outpointed Jose Menno in 12 rounds and retained his crown.

▶ **Tandil**—Flyweight Osvaldo Maldonado, Argentine champion, and Alejandro Juarez, drew in 10.

▶ **Carmen de Patagones**—Lightweight Hugo Frex kayoed Juan Vitadini in the third round.

▶ **Rio Cuarto**—For the national lightheavy title Oscar Wondrik beat Miguel Carranza, TKO in 10. The title had been vacant.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—Junior lightweight Venancio Gonzalez stopped Antonio Acosta, TKO in the sixth.

▶ **Rosario**—Junior middleweights Oscar Barzola and Antonio Vargas drew in 10.

▶ **Rio Cuarto**—For the national welter title, Armando Marchissio stopped Hugo Ladino, TKO in the sixth.

▶ **Salta**—Ex-Argentine flyweight champion Juan J. Brizuela knocked out German Lucco, Chile, TKO in the fourth.

▶ **Junin**—In the welter class, Mario Guilloti kayoed Domingo Flores in the first round.

▶ **Cordoba**—Ramón Silva and Hugo Torres, drew in eight (middles) and Ricardo Gonzalez and Martin Juarez drew in 10 (junior welters).

▶ **San Juan**—Junior lightweight Julio Catalini whipped Juan C. Salinas in 10.

▶ **Santa Rosa**—Luis H. Cabral outpointed junior welter Vicente Derado in 10.

▶ **Posadas**—In the feather class Bernardino Toledo outpointed Trinidad Rios, 10.

▶ **San Rafael**—Juan Aguilar and Osvaldo Mariño drew in 10 (middles).

▶ **San Martin de Mendoza**—In the bantam class Miguel Minni and Ruben Camargo drew in 10.

▶ **Tartagal**—Lightweight Santos Silisque and Juan Peralta drew in 10.

▶ **San Antonio Oeste**—Lightweight Hugo Fredes kayoed Ruben Dominguez in the fifth round.

▶ **Sunchales**—In the feather class Felipe Brites stopped Kid Salomon, TKO in the third.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—Junior middleweight Antenor Santillan lost to Ramón Pereyra in the fourth round.

▶ **Temperley**—Featherweight Luis Silva beat Rinaldo Zamudio in six.

▶ **La Plata**—Carlos Martinez outpointed Juan C. Coronel in 10. (lightweights).

▶ **Salta**—Featherweight Oscar Tapia whipped Franklin Camaño in 10.

▶ **Parana**—Argentine and South American middleweight champion Carlos Monzón and Carlos Salinas drew in 10 (non title).

▶ **Cordoba**—Junior welter Adolfo Robledo stopped Leandro Vilches, TKO in 10.

▶ **Rosario**—In the lightweight class Jorge Saliadarre kayoed Zenón Mansilla in the fourth.

▶ **San Francisco (Córdoba)**—Welterweight Demetrio Marquez beat Carlos Piombo in 10, bantam Carlos Cazor kayoed Milo Rafer in the third.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—Argentine and South American lightweight champion Carlos Aro and Héctor Pace, (No. 1 in the Argentine ranking) drew in 10. (non-title bout).

▶ **Buenos Aires**—Featherweight Miguel A. Botta kayoed Armando Gigena in the seventh round.

▶ **Asuncion (Paraguay)**—For the South American bantam crown Kid Pascualito, the champ, from Paraguay beat Argentine bantam champion Victor Cardenas in 12 rounds on points.

JOSE NAPOLES GOT NICKELS FOR EARLY FIGHTS

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Conde manages Napoles and former Cuban main eventer, Kid Rapidez, is the co-manager and trainer.

When he arrived back in Mexico City after disposing of Cokes, the new welterweight king was given a hero's welcome, which extended from President Diaz Ordaz to thousands of fans in the streets.

His nickname is "Mantequilla," which translated means, "smooth as butter." The 29-year-old titleholder will not lack for suitable rivals. There are Nicolino Loche, Argentine; Silvano Bertini, Italy; the Philippines' Pedro Adigue; and Ernie (Red) Lopez, California.

The world championship has come to Napoles at age 29. He was born on April 13, 1940. He had three years on Cokes, and that was a real handicap for the Dallas boxer.

Cokes wants a return match. His manager, Doug Lord, says that if Curtis failed a second time against Napoles he would retire him. But Cokes does not deserve priority in the challenging line. The Texan didn't do very well against Mantequilla.

Now Jose is a world champion, and a lot of fight fans are asking, "Who is Napoles? Why hasn't he been seen in more places? Why has he fought so many fights in the fistic bushes, for the kind of money available in the Mexican bushes? What's the story?"

If you examine Napoles' record you will find that he has had only 58 fights in 12 years.

He has won 53, lost five, has scored 38 knockouts, and has been knocked out just once, and that one time because of a cut eye against L. C. Morgan at Reynosa on August 27, 1967, in the third round.

His four other losses, by decision, were to Hilton Smith, Havana, 1959; Diwaldo Ventosa, Havana, 1960; Tony Perez, Hermosillo, 1963; and Alfredo Urbina, Mexico City, 1963.

Jose won 17 fights in a row between the Urbina setback and the freak KO by Morgan, whom he had stopped in 1965 and starched again in 1967, first in three and then in two.

The big story in the Napoles career traces to the fact that he never has fought East of Los Angeles in the United States, and in the California metropolis only thrice.

Mantequilla never appeared in Los Angeles until 1968. He stopped Leroy Roberts there on June 14 in one round and knocked out Des Rea in five heats on November 5. Then the April 18, 1969, destruction of Cokes in L.A.

The question arises, Why was Napoles hiding his talent and strength, spending a fistic lifetime in the sticks?

What was Jose afraid of? Why was he content to fight for the meager paydays he got as he travelled everywhere but to the places where the money was?

New York? Napoles won't fight there even now. The Garden wants him. There is talk of a title challenge by Emile Griffith, who believes he can come down to the welterweight imit of 147 pounds. But Napoles' friends say he will not come to New York.

No previous world champion ever won the title after appearing so infrequently in big fight centers.

Exclude his 17 contests in Havana, where he made his professional debut in 1958, and his 15 fights in Mexico City, where he first appeared in July 1962, and what's left?

Here is what's left, and it makes a story without a parallel in boxing history:

Havana, 17. Mexico City, 15. Tijuana, 5. Los Angeles, 3. Caracas, 3. Merida, 2. Juarez, 2. Reynosa, 2. Los Mochis, 1. Ciudad, 1. Hermosillo, 1. Tokyo, 1. Culiacan, 1. Laguna, 1. Tampico, 1. Monterrey, 1. San Luis, 1.
Total, 58 fights; 17 locales.

The wonder of it is that he went all the way to Japan, and for what? A two minute fight with Taketeru Yoshimoto on March 1, 1964.

Until he showed in Los Angeles in 1968, the closest Napoles came to the United States was Tijuana, where he became big box office, and had five fights; and Juarez, where he had two bouts.

What was wrong with the Napoles picture? He is not the kind of guy who would lack confidence. He says he wanted to fight among his own people. But his own people were, and are, in Cuba.

Imagine a fighter like Emile Griffith restricting his showings to places like Hermosillo, Laguna, Tampico, Reynosa, Merida and Culiacan.

Fighting so often in the sticks, Napoles lacked really good pay days until he got a fair chunk of the $192,765 his contest with Cokes drew in Los Angeles. Even then, Cokes got the big dough. Napoles, from the sticks, was in no position to demand big money.

His pals here say, "Napoles loves to fight. He would have fought Cokes for nothing,he was so sure he could beat him. He is far from bashful, but he is hard to know.

"He was born in Santiago, Cuba, which is quite a city. But he loves to be with people such as he has found in Culiacan and Merida. This is a fighter not anything like other fighters."

Well, be it all as it may, Napoles finally has left the sticks behind. He finally has tasted champagne. If he loves to fight, fine. But at age 29 he cannot love to fight so much that he is willing to fight for the kind of guarantees he has had in the bushes.

It will be interesting to see where Napoles goes for his first defense. It won't be Hermosillo. George Parnassus says it will be the Forum at Inglewood, near Los Angeles, U.S.A. George should know.

GAL PROMOTER LILLIAN SHAW PUTS VANCOUVER BACK ON PUGILISTIC MAP

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Lillian is engaged to marry Tommy and hopes to stage a Canadian heavyweight title bout between Burns and George Chuvalo.

Featured on the card recently was a bunny card girl, 20-year-old Anette Pierce. Lillian got the idea from watching a fight in Las Vegas.

At this time there are several promising fighters boxing out of the Vancouver area.

Burns suffered several disappointing losses early in his career but now seems to have hit his stride. He won the Western Canada heavyweight title when he stopped Hugh Mercier, of Edmonton in the second round. Mercier boxed George Chuvalo for the Canadian championship in 1964.

Two other boxers who show much promise are Vancouverites Les Vegas and Tommy Boyce, welterweights. Boyce has won eight of nine and Vegas has won six, drawn one and lost 4. Boyce has a decision over Ander Anderson, Seattle.

Also active out of Vancouver are light-heavyweight Ed Ostapovitch and middleweight Tony Dowling. Dowling is from Ireland and has engaged in 16 bouts. Both Ostapovitch and Dowling won recent bouts by knockouts.

Everybody in the area is watching Lillian Shaw put Vancouver back where it belongs on the fistic map.

NINO AT CROSSROADS OF HIS FISTIC CAREER

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in the betting. Benvenuti has his work cut out for him to remain the middleweight champion. He does not need the light heavyweight title because there would be little money in it for the Italian. Nor would Nino's middleweight crown be in jeopardy against a 175-pound Foster.

Whom will Foster fight? Frankly, he is a prisoner of his skills and his title.

To make money as a light heavy is a problem. To make big money as an invader of the heavyweight division would necessitate getting a match with a big drawing card.

Sonny Liston might draw with Bob. But Liston has no New York license and won't get one.

Floyd Patterson might draw with Foster. But Floyd reportedly has retired.

CASTILLO HELD TO DRAW BY USHI HARADA; NUMATA SOUR

By Joe Y. Koizumi

Tokyo, Japan—Fight results in Japan feature two unexpected draws.

Chucho Castillo, a highly rated bantam from Mexico, was held to a draw by Ushiwakamaru Harada, national titlist in the same class, in a dull 10.

Former junior lightweight champion Yoshiaki Numata, four days before his marriage to Toshie Mochizuki, showed poorly in a draw with Jun Koiwa, a neglected medium for the former's crack at Mando Ramos, lightweight champion.

Bantam Kazuyoshi Kanazawa was so impressive again as to manhandle Won-Suk Yi, Korea's Oriental bantam kingpin, in a one-sided 10.

Eiji Morioka, bronze medalist in the Olympic Games last year, made a successful pro debut via a second-round kayo at the expense of Baron Kumazawa, veteran junior feather.

Kenji Hayashi, in his first appearance in Tokyo, proved his power with a stunning KO over Hiroshi Shoji, national junior lightweight boss, in three. The slick-punching rookie has tabbed five consecutive knockouts.

▶ Osaka Prefectural Gymnasium saw Shozo Saijo's speed and gameness in his victory over Pedro Rodriguez, Mexico, in 10 heats. Saijo, the WBA's featherweight kingpin, drew a record-breaking crowd of 7,000. The lanky Japanese dazzled Pedro with a lot of fast leather and decked him twice, in rounds two and nine. Shozo weighed 128¼, the loser 128½.

Tamiyoshi Taniguchi extended his losing string to seven by a decision setback to Suehiro Yabuta in a welter eight. The loser should hang up his gloves.

▶ Justiniano Montano Jr., president of the World Boxing Council, requested the JBC to cancel the scheduled fights of the two Filipinos, Kid Barrios and Aylon Galuna, not rated in the P.I.

Montano said that the two, already in Japan, had signed for fights in which they were obviously mismatched. Immediately the JBC ordered a cancellation of Galuna's encounter with Masao Ohba.

▶ Fuji Okamoto, of Fuji Boxing Club, was re-elected president of the Japan Boxing Association (not the JBC) for the third time in succession. Okamoto, 63, was an ex-handler of legendary great Piston Horiguchi, tabbing 47 straight wins during the late 1930s. The vice presidents are Takeshi Sasazaki, Shinichi Nakamura and Masaki Kanehira.

▶ Kazuyoshi Kanazawa's cleverness and courage saved him from the wild barrage of Won-Suk Yi, Orient bantamweight leader, most of whose punches were ineffective, in a non-title tenner. The nod unanimously went to Kanazawa who won eight rounds to Yi's one. The sharp counter punches of Kanazawa, were too much for Yi, two pounds heavier than the winner's 118¾.

▶ Surviving a fourth-round knockdown, fast-rising flyweight Masao Ohba battered Yoshiaki Matsumoto almost at will to gain a unanimous verdict after 10 heats at Korakuen Hall.

Ohba's windmill rally with a full use of his longer reach weakened Yoshi, former national flyweight champion. The slim prospect had no trouble overcoming the handicap of a knockdown.

Ishimatsu Suzuki and Hitoshi Komase, junior lightweight, went six to a draw.

▶ Despite a penalty of two points for holding and wrestling, Hideo Miyamoto, a crafty veteran, 111½, was an easy points victor over Tetsuo Tachibana, 110, in one-sided 10 rounds at Abeno Gymnasium, Osaka. Hideo floored the solid-punching favorite with a smashing right in the first and the seventh, both for the compulsory eight.

▶ After his previous upset KO over Kenji Iwata in Fukuoka, up-and-coming Kenji Hayashi, 132¼, scored another sensation with a quick kayo over Hiroshi Shoji, 132½, junior lightweight leader of Nippon, in the third session at Korakuen Hall. Title not at stake.

Hayashi, in his first appearance in Tokyo, hitherto 13-1-1 (8 knockouts) in the Kyushu district, turned loose an unmerciful barrage to the face of the champ. The ref called a halt when Shoji sank to the ropes and canvas on three occasions.

Hiroshi suffered his first KO setback. In a companion tenner Michiyo Sekiguchi, 130, barely outscored Isao Shiiya, 129¾.

▶ New Orient junior featherweight boss Koichi Okada, lack of power but full of science, outmaneuvered and outpunched the Filipino Willie Cordova at Korakuen Hall, in 10. Okada prevented the rugged Filipino from boring in and mixing it up. The Japanese was in command in six rounds to Willie's two. Koichi tipped the beam at 123, the loser 122½.

▶ Mexico's bantam ruler Chucho Castillo, 120½, was held to a split draw by Ushiwakamaru (Katsuhiro) Harada, 119½, boss of Japan, in a monotonous 10 frames at Korakuen Hall here.

Chucho surprised the 1700 customers, who expected the newcomer's quick kayo. He had a slight edge in points at the finish. Celverly retreating and countering before a reckless attack, the Mexican solved his opponent's style.

Castillo was a master in four rounds of the latter half, the Japanese in two of the first five.

In the semi-windup, hitherto unbeaten Tiger Ross of U.S.A., lost to Yoshimitsu Okabe, in a middleweight eight.

▶ Eiji Morioka, the bronze medal winner in a bantam class in Mexico, climaxed his first pro attempt by finishing Baron (Haruki) Kumazawa in the second round at Osaka.

Eiji, a give-and-take puncher with a brilliant amateur record, 127-11-0 (78 knockouts), decked the veteran twice with rights to the face. The third man declared a halt to save the loser from further punishment. The winner weighed 119¼, Kumazawa 120.

▶ Scrappy bantam Yoshio Nakane, 117½, landed well-timed combinations to the face of Willie Cordova, 117¾, P.I. and was a points victor at Korakuen Hall.

Yoshio's decision was unanimous. Willie was no match for the Japanese stylist at speed, timing and footwork.

▶ Tall jabber Yoshiaki Eto, 160, recaptured the national middleweight crown from Benkei (Tsutomu) Fujikura via a ninth-round KO rout at Korakuen Hall. Benkei, 159, got exhausted in the second half, chiefly because of his rival's stinging punches. Eto's jarring rights floored the champ three times, in rounds seven, eight and nine. The official stoppage happened when Benkei was helpless from Eto's persistent uppercuts.

▶ Yoshiaki Numata, 135¼, ex-world and Orient junior light champ, engaged in a tune-up contest before his shot at Mando Ramos, but surprisingly drew with Jun Koiwa, 134½, in a sluggish 10 at Korakuen Hall.

Koiwa, previously fighting under the name of Hajime Iwata, unleashed roundhouse rights to the jaw. Numata displayed fast legs, not his familiar hit-and-run.

▶ Kuniaki Shibata, a feather hope at 128, scored a kayo over Kid Barrios, 128½, imported from Manila, in the opening session at Korakuen Hall.

Shibata's furious rally downed the Filipino on three occasions to win an automatic triumph.

The supporting eight-rounder, which ended in a clearcut upset KO, saw Yoshio Taruishi, hard-hitting Best Shinjin-O of this year, kiss the canvas twice. He was demolished by veteran Shoji Nakagawa in five. They are junior lightweights.

▶ Kenjiro Nakajima, getting off the floor at the mandatory eight in the opening stanza, was a stubborn battler. He dropped Kuwashi Shimizu, national junior feather titlist, three times and out in the second round at Korakuen Hall.

They scaled 122 each. Ken's flurry of punches to the face and stomach won the national crown.

CHU CHU GARCIA POLISHES OFF YOUNG IN 2 AT BEAUMONT

By Harlan Haas

Beaumont, Texas—Jesse (Chu Chu) Garcia, 147, Reynosa, who continues to remain unbeaten, polished off visiting Richard Young, 149, Springfield, Mo., in the second round. Garcia, fresh from a rousing 10-round go with Ernie (Indian Red) Lopez in Los Angeles, was in complete command against Young. The tall welter from South of the Border is capable of giving the best a run for their dough.

In the six-round semi-final Kenny Weldon, 127, Galena Park, outboxed and outpunched Joe Cook, 132, New Orleans. Adam Moore, 165, iced Frankie Evans, 165, in the fourth.

Lou Brock, 125, Houston, edged past Bobby (Hulak) Diamond, 122, New Orleans, in a 12-minute crowd pleaser. The New Orleans scrapper made a big hit with the fans.

▶ **Corpus Christi** saw local Severo Balboa, 143, win a close 10-round decision over Porfirio (Blackie) Zamora, 138, Corpus Christi. Balboa, taller and a little quicker, returned to competition after a layoff. Gil de los Santos, 146½, Corpus Christi, chilled Allen (Fighting Postman) Moten, 147, Beaumont, in the third. They had battled 12-rounds to a draw.

Arthur Cuellar, 126, Corpus Christi, stopped Joe Mata, 125, San Antonio, in the eighth round. Baldomar Garcia, 137, Corpus Christi, stopped Willie Morales, 133, Corpus Christi, in the first round.

▶ Also at Corpus Christi, showing the form that made him one of the top prospects before his tour of duty in Vietnam, Steve Freeman shot down rugged Porfirio (Blackie) Zamora in the 12th and final round. Zamora's state lightweight title was up for grabs. Freeman, both hands banged up early in the fight, came from behind to turn Zamora a flip with a wicked right hand to the chops with 22 seconds remaining. Zamora struggled to his feet at nine and Freeman rushed in for the kill, but was pulled off. One more punch might have been one too many.

The little lightweight from Houston had Zamora down for nine in the fifth round, but bided his time from then on due to the condition of his hands. Blackie made one of his best efforts in several years, and received a hand for his all-out effort. Zamora came in at 134½, Freeman at 135.

Another 10-rounder matched Gil de los Santos, 147, Corpus Christi, and Billy (The Fighting Electrician) Strother, 153, Houston. Strother's aggressive, two-fisted style had de los Santos backing up. As the stocky slugger from Houston rushed in to the attack in the second round, an accidental colliding of heads opened up a deep gash over the Corpus fighter's brow.

The referee stopped the bout in the fifth round with the local boy bleeding profusely, and called the fight a technical draw.

Arthur Cuellar, 126, Corpus Christi, scored a three-round technical knockout over Lou Brock, 125, Houston.

▶ After the disastrous one-round knockout at the hands of Joe Frazier, Dave Zyglewicz shuffled off to Mexico for an extended vacation. As Ring goes to press the wandering heavyweight is still South of the Border. Ziggy writes that he intends to resume training before long.

Remember Jimmy Parks? He's the suave gent from San Antonio who guided Irish Jimmy Curl and Bobby Dykes into the big time. Curl became a ranking middleweight, and Dykes, as you know, beat most of the top welters during the 1950s. Well, Jimmy has a hot young heavyweight prospect now by the name of Terry Krueger, a lanky 185-pounder from San Antonio.

Doug Lord, manager of Curtis Cokes, has high hopes for his unbeaten heavyweight Terry Daniels. Daniels bears plenty of watching. It's been a long while since Dallas has had a heavyweight capable of luring crowds through the turnstiles. Daniels could cause Big D promoters to become excited in the not too distant future.

One of the happiest youngsters down here is Kenny Weldon, 21-year-old featherweight from Galena Park, who was named Ring's "Prospect of the Month" in the June issue. He is less than a year removed from amateur ranks where he racked up a 96-11 record. Hhe stands 6-0 as a pro.

He was overjoyed at reeciving the honor bestowed upon him by Ring, and told this writer it was the finest award he yet has received. We reminded Kenny that some pretty fair featherweights have received this honor in the past. Digging back a few years to the February 1942 Ring we found where a kid by the name of Willie Pep was tabbed for the same honor. As everyone knows he went on to become featherweight champion of the world and wound up his career with a fabulous record of 229-11-1. Then, taking a look at the June 1952 Ring we noted that Harold Gomes was listed as that month's featherweight prospect.

Gomes captured the world's junior lightweight crown on July 20, 1959, by edging past Paul Jorgensen in 15 rounds, and wound up his career with a 49-10 record.

We eyed the November 1953 Ring, and that month's featherweight prospect was none other than the late Davey Moore, who became featherweight champion a little over two years later by kayoing Hogan (Kid) Bassey. Little Davey carried an overall pro record of 59-7-1. So, let's watch the wiry 126-pounder from Galena Park.

Hard luck continues to dog Manuel Gonzalez, welterweight contender. You name it, he has had it. He made a trip to San Juan, P.R. to fight Dario Hidalgo. He arrived five days ahead of the fight in perfect condition. Hidalgo was not able to fight on the prescribed date, due to an injury.

Gonzalez lay over in San Juan for three weeks, then, lost his peak. He went into the fight overtrained and dropped a 10-round decision to Hidalgo. A rematch was set for May 20 in Houston, and a week before the fight Hidalgo underwent an emergency tonsillectomy.

Freeman soon will be headlining in Houston. He has consecutive knockouts over Frankie Taylor, Efren Castillo, and Porfirio (Blackie) Zamora. His knockout of Zamora won him the Texas lightweight championship. His record stands at 25-3-1.

Billy Strother, Billy DeFoe's rugged welterweight, would like a return go with Oscar Alvarado. Strother, a bull-like slugger, had Alvarado on the deck for a nine count when they met as prelim battlers and Shotgun Oscar barely beat the count in their San Antonio brawl. The Shotgun eked out a close six-round victory, and Strother is paging Mickey Davies, L.A. matchmaker, for a return go. Strother, the fighting electrician, is 16-4-1 as a pro.

GRIFFITH BEATS HAYWARD BUT PUBLIC SAYS "HO-HUM"

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pion, and was bemused by the movies.

There was talk of a Benvenuti-Jose Napoles battle in George Parnassus' Forum at Inglewood, Calif. There also was some conversation about the Italian's engaging Freddie Little. But the cameras had Nino hung up.

Griffith, born in February, 1938, according to his dope, is 31 and has been campaigning for 12 years. Everything considered, he is a remarkable fighter. But it would appear that he has dropped out of the fancy money class and, having dropped, is being left behind by Benvenuti, cinema star.

Hayward had his big chance against Emile, and blew it. The Kitten announced that, in his belief, Griffith was stronger than Benvenuti and, given another shot at the champion, would recover the title.

However, the poor showing which Griffith made at the Garden gate was quite a blow to Harry Markson. Harry and matchmaker Teddy Brenner drove to their abodes in Brooklyn doubtless wondering about Emile's status as of 1969, and the thousands of fans who remained at home, preferring to wait for the movie of the fight scheduled for TV the following night.

Persol's failure to last out seven rounds against Dupree forced Johnny's retirement. His eyes are bad. Before he was stopped by Dupree he suffered a sixth round knockdown because his vision had become fuzzy.

Munoz's loss marked his second straight setback, David Melendez having beaten him two months previous. Munoz is managed by Carlos Ortiz, former lightweight champion, who has retired.

BARBIZZI FEATURES AMATEUR ● BOXING IN WILMINGTON ●

By Jim McCloy

Wilmington, Del.—Local amateur boxing has been featured by heavyweight Joe Barbizzi's disputed decisions. He defeated Sam Saunders, 230-pound Philadelphian to advance to the Golden Gloves finals in San Diego. A five-round rematch, however, saw Barbizzi leave little doubt as to the winner. Saunders hit the deck three times.

Results:

Lightweights: James Edwards, Chester, Pa., TKOd Dennis Kolinowski, Wilmington, in three. Paul Altemare, Chester, KOd Gerald Robinson, Philadelphia, in three. Rudy Donato, Chester, defeated Larry Lampkin, Philadelphia. Joe Marchino, Chester, decisioned Dowd Williams, Philadelphia.

Welterweights: John Stephens, Chester, won over Art Crawford, Philadelphia.

Middleweights: Joe Eoppolo, Wilmington, stopped Johnny Davis, Chester, in three.

Heavyweights: Marv Friedman, Wilmington, defeated Paul Kania, Wilmington. Joe Barbizzi, Wilmington, decisioned Sam Saunders, Philadelphia (five rounds).

Liston Dumps Scrapiron In Seven, Some Holler "Hooray," Some "So What?"

LAS VEGAS, NEV.—It's according to how you look at it. Some fight fans here regard Sonny Liston's seven-round KO of Scrapiron Johnson in Convention Hall, Bill Miller promoting, as an achievement Some customers cannot get excited over neighbor Liston's victory.

Liston weighed 217 pounds, and Scrapiron tipped the scales at 212.

Referee Harry Krause stopped the fight out of compassion for Johnson.

Johnson, who went ten with Joe Frazier in 1967, said that the Philadelphia No. 1 contender is a harder hitter than Sonny Boy.

Roger Rouse really hit the skids in the co-feature when he was stopped, TKO, in the ninth by Eddie (Bossman) ones, Los Angeles, 172. Roger weighed 171½.

Rouse was decked twice in the sixth. He said he had injured his right hand in the second round.

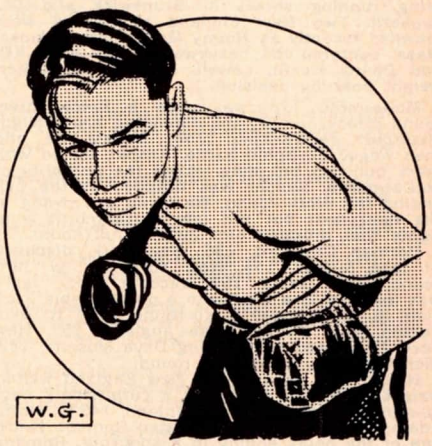
STRIBLING STORY, BY JIMMY JONES, A FINE BIOGRAPHY

"KING of the Canebrakes," by Jimmy Jones, veteran sports writer of the South is the latest book on boxing. It is a fascinating biography of Young Stribling, Georgia heavyweight who was killed in a motorcycle crash.

It is a saga of an airplane pilot, motorboat racer, basketball star, golfer, swimmer and boxer, a combination that set him up as one of our nation's major athletic performers of his era.

Strib boxed when the field was loaded with talent. Among the leaders whom he faced were Max Schmeling, Tommy Loughran, Jack Sharkey, Ernie Schaaf, Primo Carnera, Don McCorkindale, Jack Renault, George Shade, Jimmy Slattery, Harry Krohn, Johnny Risko, Otto von Porat, Chuck Wiggins, Jack De Mave and Maxie Rosenbloom.

The GREAT DAYS of the PRIZE RING
by Walter Galli



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GOOD BYE, CLEVE, AFTER KO BY JONES IN EIGHTH AT MIAMI BEACH

MIAMI BEACH, FLA. — Good bye, Cleveland Williams, who once fought Cassius Clay.

The Cat, as he used to be called in his heyday, was knocked out by local Al Jones, 232, in the eighth round, referee Eddie Eckert stopping it.

Williams was decked in the fourth and seventh rounds. He came in at 214.

McDERMOTT AND HEATH WIN ● TITLES IN NEW ENGLAND ●

By Don Hamill

Portland, Me.—A new club has been opened in Augusta by Al Lampron, who is also considering running shows in Brunswick and Old Orchard. Two New England champions were crowned recently as Jimmy McDermott, Holyoke, Mass. captured the heavyweight title by a KO, and Danny Heath, Lowell, became the welterweight boss by decision.

McDermott, 176, weathered a fierce three-round attack here by the defending heavyweight champion, Paul Kasper, 175½, Belfast, Me., and then waged an uphill battle. Kasper scored with more punches but they lacked the authority of McDermott's. Kasper was dropped at the bell ending the ninth round. He came out strong in the final heat but ran into McDermott's long rights that dropped him for the full count.

Dorman Crawford, 155, New York, disposed of Jose Suarez, 154, New York, in the third round. Dave Gates, 159, Laconia, N.H., again was involved in a bout with a questionable decision as he dropped a six-round duke to Skip Yeaton, 155, Belfast. Jose Anglada, 152, New York, impressed by stopping Dave Moseby, 142, Richmond, Va., in the first round.

Heath, 146, became the New England welterweight champion by taking a surprisingly easy 10-round decision over Al Romano, 143½, North Adams, Mass. Heath had beaten Romano twice, one of the bouts ending in a knockout. Romano made a creditable showing for three rounds and then faded. They both tired badly. Heath scored the only knockdown, in the final session.

Jackie Burke, 124, St. John, N.B., outboxed Roger Frechette, 129, Lowell, in an eight. Jose Anglada, 155, New York, scored his second kayo over Clarence Reed, 150, New York, whom he stopped this time in three rounds. Bob Payzant, 151, Freeport, stopped Jose Martinez, 145, New York, in the fourth round of a dull six. Joe Croteau, 137, Portland, was hard pressed in taking a four-round split decision over Nick Rossi, 141, Windham, Me.

▶ **Worcester, Mass. Auditorium**—Jerry Graci, 136½, Arlington, Mass., nearly upset Lloyd Marshall, 134, Newark, by taking a three-round lead. Graci was the aggressor from the start and had Marshall holding on. Graci scored well with rights. In the fourth round Graci suffered a severe cut over his left eye. At the end of the session the club doctor advised the referee to stop the bout.

Bob Benoit, 162, Oakham, Mass., was in charge from the start over Gene Roberts, 158, Portland, whom he stopped in the fourth round. Roberts had taken a beating and was gory at the mouth. Ken Campbell, 128, Providence, R.I., took a one-sided six-round decision over Danny Figueroa, 128, Paterson, N.J. Jose Suarez, 151, New York, fighting under his own name of Ivan Rodriguez, stopped Kevin McGrath, 150, Worcester, in the second round to ruin McGrath's pro debut.

▶ **North Adams, Mass.**—Al Romano, 145, North Adams, used a sustained body attack to edge out a close but unanimous 10-round decision over Al Baschir, 146, Montreal, and now fighting out of Portland. Baschir frequently took the play away from the hometown lad and finished the fight stronger but Romano's body blows had piled up a narrow lead.

Dave Dittmar, 154, White Plains, threw too many punches for Arnie Sparks, 149, Montreal, and captured the unanimous decision after eight rounds. Terry Rondeau, 125, Pittsfield, Mass., scored a unanimous four-round decision over Joe Vano, 130, Burlington, Vt., but the vote was unpopular. Richie Lugo, 135, White Plains, unleashed a furious attack to bring down Blackie Pivan, 130, Burlington, in the first round. Pablo Rodriguez, 149, Holyoke, outpunched Ace Roberts, 150, Burlington, to gain a unanimous duke in a slugfest.

▶ **Portland**—Journeyman Billy Marsh, 169, Las Vegas, Nev., scored a surprisingly easy 10-round decision over Eddie Spence, 170, Pittsfield. Spence forced the issue in the first two rounds but ran into a pair of left hooks in the third heat that changed the complexion of the fight. Marsh was in charge the rest of the way. Spence was out on his feet when the final bell rang.

Jose Anglada, 153, New York, turned in another impressive win as he took a clear cut decision over Stu Gray, 162, Toronto, in the six-round semi-windup. Macka Foley, 178, Portland, appeared to have received the better of a six-round draw with Paul Raymond, 181, Somerville, Mass. Dave Dittmar, 153, White Plains, easily whipped Al Baschir, 149, Portland, in six rounds. Terry Rondeau, 128, Pittsfield, scored a clean kayo over Joe Croteau, 132, Portland, in the second round.

▶ **Augusta, Me.**—Tony Lampron, 170, Westbrook, son of promoter Al Lampron, turned in a good win by knocking out veteran Augie Simmons, 163, New York, in the third round. Lampron was sharp with his left jab, threw solid body shots, and in the third heat set up Simmons with a left hook that dropped him. Simmons arose to be dropped for the full count from a right uppercut.

Benito Vega, 135, New York, outhustled Dave Moseby, 137, Richmond, in the six-round semi-final. Veteran Gene Roberts, 155, Portland, had too much experience for Jimmy Downs, 162, Brunswick, and stopped him in the second round. Jose Suarez, 157, New York, stopped Willie Cartojena, 150, Panama via New York, in the third.

▶ **Taunton, Mass.**—Spider Freeman, 155, Roxbury, upset Jimmy Ramos, 160, North Easton, Mass., by taking a unanimous duke after eight rounds. The action seesawed back and forth with Freeman sharp with right hand leads and Ramos strong with hooks.

Dick Hall, 174, Roxbury, knocked out hapless Bill Hardiman, 165, Brooklyn, in the first round. A one-two combination felled Hardiman, who bumped his head on the canvas and was out for several minutes. Billy McCluskey, 134, East Boston, and Jose Carabella, 132, Hartford, battled to a draw. Jose Suarez, 157, New York, scored an upset in stopping Jose Anglada, 155, also of New York, in the sixth and final round. Bobby Townsend, 150, Brockton, scored a two-round kayo over Billy Jordan, 144, New York.

▶ **Portland** — Olympic representative Sammy Goss, 124, Trenton, N.J., had his hands full in taking a close but unanimous 10-round decision over Leo DiFiore, 128, Portland. Goss displayed sharp punching which failed to slow DiFiore, who hurt Goss with hooks to the body.

Ken Campbell, 131, Providence, turned in a fine boxing exhibition in gaining himself a unanimous eight-round decision over veteran Wally Livingston, 132, Newark. In a third eight-rounder, Dave Gates, 152½, Laconia, had to come off the floor in the second round and fight back to earn a draw with Al Baschir, 151, Portland.

▶ **Worcester**—Bob Benoit, 164, Oakham, moved into the main event slot and proved that he was worthy of it by turning back veteran Ike White, 165, Philadelphia, in 10 rounds. Benoit beat White to the punch, often rocking him with right hand leads. Benoit's left jab was sharp and he kept it peppering into White's features.

Pat Kivlin, 130, Cambridge, won on a fifth-round TKO when Richie Lugo, 133, White Plains, was unable to defend himself. Johnny Serra, 163, Spring Valley, N.Y., eked out a split decision over Kirk Williams, 166, Worcester. Eulilio Garcia, 127, Worcester, knocked out fellow-townsman Don Butler, 124, in the second round.

▶ **Portland**—Arnie Brower, 177, Hartford, launched his comeback by winning by a wide margin over Billy Marsh, 173, Las Vegas, to take a 10-round unanimous duke. Brower's punching power put Marsh on the defensive. Brower scored the only knockdown of the fight. A left hook shook Marsh who then was dumped into a heap with a fusillade of blows. Brower punched Marsh around freely in the final session.

Walter Moore, 159, Roxbury, turned in a good boxing performance to gain a split decision over Irish Al Kivlin, 166, Cambridge, Mass., in the eight-round semi-final. Macka Foley, 183, Portland, won for the second time over Jon Tibbetts, 180, Lowell, taking a lopsided six-round decision. Dick McCarthy, 160, Somerville, Mass., outpunched Bob Payzant, 150, Freeport, in six.

▶ **Augusta**—Tony Lampron, 175, Westbrook, was handed a soft touch in Lou Quintones, 176, New York, who folded up after sampling several of Lampron's solid punches. The fans booed and hissed.

Jose Suarez, 155, New York, appeared to be a loser to Gene Roberts, 162, Portland, in the eight-round semi-final but was awarded a split decision. Gene was the better boxer and hurt Suarez early in the bout but tired. Suarez finished strongly enough to impress the judges. Dave Gates, 160, Laconia, garnered an easy six-rounder over Al Baschir, 152, Portland. Curtis McClendon, 167, Portland, stowed away a game but outclassed Lewis Morton, 162, New Sharon, Me., in the third round.

NEW YORK'S MONTH ● THAT WAS ●

By Jersey Jones

Boxing activity in the metropolitan area is slowing down for the summer. Two programs in Madison Square Garden, headed by the Emile Griffith-Stanley Hayward and Dick Tiger-Nino Benvenuti bouts, and one at Sunnyside Garden comprised the entire month's output.

With its air-cooling system operating, M.S.G. and its junior arena, the Felt Forum, will continue functioning during the warmer season, but plans for the few other arenas in these parts are indefinite at this writing.

Across the Hudson River, the Plaza Arena in Secaucus has wound up another fine campaign, its third since opening for business in 1967. Promoter Jimmy Colotto and matchmaker Duke Stefano have announced no plans for summer operations, but the boxing interest they have aroused in Hudson and Bergen counties may inspire them to scout an outdoor site for a show or two.

▶ The eye trouble that kept him out of action for 10 months until he returned seven weeks before to beat Chuck Leslie apparently came back to haunt Johnny Persol, 176, Brooklyn, in his clash with Jimmy Dupree, 175½, transplanted Carolinian operating out of Jersey City, on the Emile Griffith-Stanley Hayward card in Madison Square Garden.

The Griffith-Hayward shindig is covered elsewhere in this issue.

Dupree and Persol were on fairly even terms until the sixth round when a left hook dropped Persol, who claimed his vision had become blurred, and when the Brooklynite was virtually defenseless against Dupree's two-handed assault in the seventh, the affair was halted at the round's 1:17 mark.

By winning, Dupress squared accounts for a TKO Persol had tossed into him nearly four years previously.

Carlos Ortiz's cousin, Willie Munoz, 154, Bronx-domiciled Puerto Rican, suffered his second defeat in succession after 21 wins and one draw, when he lost to another Bronx Puerto Rican, Pete Toro, 154, in 10. Aggressive Toro was too strong and persistent for Munoz and the decision in his favor was unanimous. Both rivals suffered cuts, Toro over his left eye in the fourth and Munoz in his lip in the ninth.

In the opening four, Abraham Cabrera, 164, Puerto Rico, decisioned a visitor from Hungary, Stephen Papp, 161.

The box-office statistics were disappointing. The attendance, 6,047, was less than one-third the Garden's capacity, and the gross receipts, $39,508.53, about half of what had been expected.

▶ With its third set of promoters since the start of the 1968-69 campaign, but with capable Duke Stefano still handling the matchmaking chores, Sunnyside Garden failed to display any improvement in box-office activity. Despite a card that promised plenty of lusty clouting, the first program of Arena Sports, Inc., attracted a turnout of only 931 (885 paid) and gross receipts of $2,751.75, barely enough to cover operating expenses.

The public's response may have been disappointing, but the program made good its promise with some lively slugging and knockouts in all four scheduled fights.

In what was billed as the windup, fast-rising Jose Nieves, 135¼, Puerto Rico, stretched his unbeaten string to 17 by disposing of Doug Charles, 135, Bronx, at 2:59 of the third.

Another Puerto Rican, Angel Oquendo, 182¼, battered Bob Avena, 178½, Brooklyn, out of competition at 1:35 of the fifth; Jeff Merritt, 212, Macon, Ga., needed only 1:48 of one frame to dispose of oft-beaten Mike Bruce, 238, Springfield, Mass., and Johnny Burnside, 160, West Side, eliminated Dave Dittmar, 154, White Plains, at 2:17 of the third.

The one bout to go its scheduled route was the opening four, between Puerto Rican rivals, Rey Mercado, 140, outpointing Felix Ortiz, 141.

▶ The semi-final to Dick Tiger's convincing win over Nino Benvenuti in Madison Square Garden also produced a surprising result. Juarez DeLima, 159¼, Brazil, who was being built up by the Garden as a possible challenger for the world middleweight title, was beaten by Don Fullmer, 166, West Jordan, Utah, in a lively 10. Fullmer was too ringwise for the South American and used effective left jabs and hooks to pile up points against his aggressive opponent.

The decision in Fullmer's favor was split, referee Barney Smith and judge Al Berl tabbing for the Utahan while the other judge, Joe Armstrong, surprisingly had DeLima the winner.

In fours, up-and-coming Leon Washington, 161, outpointed a rival Brooklynite, Carl Williams, also 161; Antonio Aguilar, 160, a newcomer from Argentina, won from Humberto Trottman, 161, Panama, and Ruben Melendez, 154, Bronx-domiciled Puerto Rican, outfought Alberto Millan, 156, also of the Bronx.

Details of Tiger's decisive triumph over Benvenuti are reported elsewhere in this issue by Nat Loubet.

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THE LATIN VIEWPOINT

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joya del ring en embrion, y sus 15 años demuestran que todavia tiene un precioso camino por recorrer. . . .

Torneos como estos son los que hacen falta en todos los paises del habla hispana, a fin de que sea material nuestro, de nuestras calientes tierras, los que marquen despues el paso en las justas del ring, del mismo modo que son ahora nuestros beisboleros los que señalan la pauta en los diamantes de las Grandes Ligas.

NOTICIAS DE TODAS PARES:

Boxeo en Mexico

Después de 17 años de preparación y espera, "Mantequilla" Nápoles, nuevo campeón welter, asegura que será un campeón que boxea y ha pedido a Cuco Conde que le busque un contrario para 5 meses. . . . Es curioso, pero, Mantequilla no cree que Curtis Cokes haya sido el oponente más difícil que ha tenido en el ring, sino el Morocho Hernández, de Venezuela. . . . Observadores imparciales aseguran que, aunque los peritos no le clasifican entre los primeros, Rafael Herrera, de México, merece seria consideración entre pos pesos gallos. . . . Desde luego, México tiene en esa división la extraordinaria figura de Chucho Castillo. . . . Las revistas mexicanas de box dicen que Baby Arizmendi ha sido el mejor hombre de la división gallo entre todos los pugilistas mexicanos. . . . Aunque Luis Castillo, Toluco López y Ratón Macías figuren siempre en los puestos más destacados. . . . Teo Cruz desmiente rumores de que intente retirarse. . . . Pero, insiste que Mando Ramos debe concederle la revancha.

En México hay tres muchachos, en los pesos bajos, que están subiendo como la espuma en el libro de los consagrados. . . . Uno es J. Jiménez, que es el número cinco de su división entre los latinos. . . . Y el otro es Rubén Olivares. . . . Desde Ciudad México nos dicen que "Pulgarcito" Ramos volverá en el Otoño con más brios que nunca. . . . Las peleas que ha perdido le han proporcionado precisamente la experiencia que necesitaba y luce que ahora estará mejor equipado para el "retorno." . . .

Definitivamente, José Legra no peleará por ahora en New York. . . . Kid Tunero, que es quien controla los intereses del cubano, dice que las proposiciones que le hacen no están de acuerdo con la reputación y clase de su ahijado. . . .

Oscar Martinez Conill no se ha separado de la Unión Nacional Marítima. . . . Pero, por el momento no hará otra cosa que promoteer Ouchas. . . . Mientras tanto, la Unión Marítima ha firmado contrato con el Sunnyside Garden para ofrecer 25 programas de boxero en fechas consecutivas con Duke Stéfano como matchmaker. . . .

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NUEVO CAMPEON

Entre los nuevos campeones que nos ha dejado el torneo anual de boxeo de los "Guantes Latinos," que se ofrece con idea de desarrollar el talento hispano del ring en Mahattan, tenemos a este valioso chiquillo de 16 años, Oscar González, de Guánica, Puerto Rico, que ofreció, al coronarse campeón de las 135 libras, la pelea más emocionante de todo el torneo, para derrotar, en forma que no dejo lugar a dudas, al favorito del Boy's Club, Henry Ocasio. Oscar, que solo tiene 4 años en New York, es un chiquillo del bajo Manhattan que ha tomado el boxeo en serio para convertirlo en futura profesión de su vida. Dice que siempre se inspiró en el ex-campeón mundial Carlos Ortiz para seguir sus huellas en el ring, y, como tiene el mismo peso de Carlos, está convencido de que este triunfo en el torneo aficionado para latinos, es solamente el primero de una larga y exitos carrera. Oscar, que tiene 10 hermanos, es el orgullo de la familia González en estos momentos, y todos los que le han visto en acción aseguran que posee aquellos poquitos que son necesarios para llegar al campeonato de profesionales. Contendencia a ganar peso, según avanza en edad, sin embargo, Oscar, no podra darse el gusto de ser en el futuro un nuevo Carlos Ortiz, porque, cuando esté maduro para una pelea por el campeonato mundial, con seguridad que ya será un welter avanzado. Pero, Oscar tiene tres cualidades que le permitirán ir lejos en el ring: Es perseverante, es corajudo y tiene punch. Tres cosas que nadie puede compara en las farmacias. El chiquillo subio al ring guiado por Sandy Saddler, y éste confiesa que jamás había visto en un novato, tanto aplomo, tanta seguridad y tanta fe en que no podía perder el fajín de los ligeros. Felicidades, champion!

CHARTVANCHAI SCORES UNANIMOUS DECISION OVER ● VILLACAMPO IN BANGKOK ●

By Sgt. Harry Cheney

Bangkok, Thailand—If Chartchai Chionoi is fading out of the picture, now that he has lost the world flyweight title to Efren Torres, Thailand has another star coming up, in flyweight Berkrerk Chartvanchai.

Chartvanchai served notice of his class to the boxing world with a clean, clear-cut, unanimous ippines, in a 10-rounder in Rajadamnern Sta decision over Bernabe Villacampo, of the Phil dium, which was packed for the event.

There was no knockdown but the Thai showed his supremacy in all departments. The winner weighed 111 and the loser 110 pounds.

Villacampo is rated No. 3 contender behind Torres.

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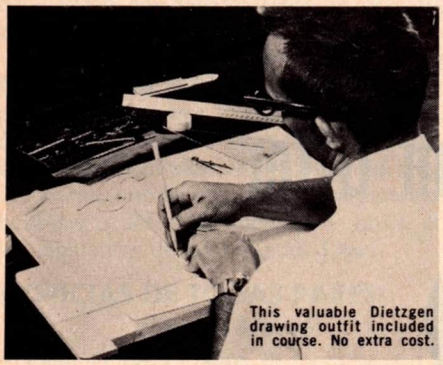

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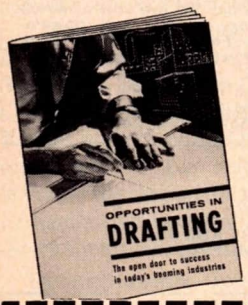

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FRASER SCOTT SCORES TKO OVER ● MOYER IN ONLY THREE ●

By Paulie Cook

Seattle, Wash.—From the opening bell Denny Moyer never had a chance with Fraser Scott, the "Poet Puncher." Scott ran from his corner, his long red hair flying, and after a feint with his left, sent over a short overhand right that landed just above Moyer's right eye, and opened a pencil line cut.

Scott then pulled away from Moyer and moved in a half circle to Moyer's right. A sneak right cracked right on the same cut. Scott landed two right hands on the widening cut and the gore ran freely. Scott then turned on the speed and hooked Moyer with two fast left hooks. He jabbed Moyer with stiff left hands and nailed him with a right that made Moyer's legs buckle. Denny fought back but could not cope with Scott's power and speed. He tried to settle down and box but the "Poet Puncher" would not let him.

Seeing he would have to fight, Moyer tried to slug it out and landed a good right. It did not seem to bother Scott in the least. Moyer's face and body were covered with plasma. When the bell rang, Moyer walked wearily to his corner where Sid Flaherty went to work to stanch the flow.

At the start of the second round, Moyer caught Scott with a right, smack on the button, but the redhead never even as much as blinked an eye and came in boring like a pneumatic drill to reach Moyer's right eye. Moyer looked like a horror movie at the bell.

Dr. Alex Grinstein examined Denny at the end of the round and said he could not continue. Scott now holds a victory over the world's sixth ranking middleweight. Anyone who beats Moyer so decisively and so quickly is going to be in demand anywhere in the world.

The fight goes into the record books as a third-round TKO. Moyer never before in his long career had been taken so fast.

In the opening bout, Ed Ostopovich, 179, Vancouver, B.C., scored a TKO over Billy Rodgers, 161, North Bend, Oregon, in the fourth round.

Scott's stablemate, George "Flash" Perez, Everett, scored a fifth-round TKO over Kalman Santosi, Vancouver, B.C. Perez weighed 151½, five pounds heavier than Santosi.

In a ten, Andy Anderson, 139, Seattle, and Les Vegas, 142, Vancouver, B.C., fought a draw and had the fans on their feet from the third round on. Attendance was 4,105 paid, with a gross of $20,136.

▶ **Spokane, Wash.**—Dick Gosha, Chicago and San Francisco, left hook artist, pounded out a ninth-round TKO over Bob Mumford, using only his right hand from the second round on. Gosha scored two knockout victories over Seattle's Billy Schellhas early this year. Mumford had an 11-pound weight advantage—198½ to 187½.

Gary "Hobo" Wiler in a light heavyweight 10-rounder against Billy Marsh, Las Vegas, put up the fight of his short pro career as he lost to a veteran. Wiler suffered from a bad cut over his eye from the second round on.

Stanley Johnson, 177, looked good in putting on a punching exhibition against Don "Jolly Boy" Staab, 203, in four rounds. Johnson fractured Staab's nose with a right cross. It was Johnson's second pro fight.

"Scooter" Meza, scored a four-round TKO over Gene Green in a lightweight bout.

GASTELBONDO STOPS BELL AND LUNA, MOVES ● CLOSER TO LOCHE ●

By Oscar Vergara Ramos

Cartagena, Colombia—German Gastelbondo, fourth-rated junior welter behind champion Nicolino Loche, gained an easy victory over Federico Bell, of Panama, at Monteria. Gastelbondo knocked him out in the second round.

At Barranquilla, Nestor Jiminez, flyweight, outpointed Alvaro Lopez in 10 rounds.

German's soft victory advanced his claims to a title fight with Loche.

▶ **Barranquilla, Colombia**—German Gastelbondo, 140, veteran junior welter, forced Rafael Luna, 139, to retire in the eighth round.

Nestor "Baba" Jimenez, bantamweight, decisioned Adalberto Iriarte in 10.

Linfer Contreras, 126, knocked out Carlos Vasquez, 126, in the fifth round.

Adalberto Gómez, 119, won by KO, to Hugo Barraza, 122, in seven.

HARRIS MAKES IT 18 IN ROW WITH DECISION ● OVER STEELE ●

By Leonard La Barre

Detroit, Mich.—Ronnie Harris made it 18 in a row without a loss when he defeated Frankie Steele for the Michigan welterweight championship. Steele gave him a tough 12 rounds, but Ronnie won it with points to spare.

Tommy Hanna decisioned Candy Stribling in six, remaining undefeated in seven bouts.

He continues as a middleweight prospect.

Chuck Hayes, a good-looking heavyweight, won his seventh bout in a row, scoring a four-round decision over Mac Harrison.

In the semi-windup, veteran Teddy Wright won his third bout out of his last four attempts, when he halted Miami's Willie Tiger in round five of a scheduled 10.

▶ Flint's Joe Byrd scored an upset when he decisioned Pittsburgh's Jack Rodgers in the semi-main event in Lima, Ohio. Rodgers, formerly ranked, was disappointed in this comeback attempt. It was Joe's biggest win to date.

Hedgemon Lewis, who had his beginning in Detroit, continues his winning ways out on the Coast. Grand Rapids' John Mason journeyed to Fort Wayne and was stopped in the first round by Sonny Fields. It was the first time John had been stopped as an amateur or pro.

▶ Cassius Clay, visiting Grand Rapids, and Buster Mathis put on a brief sparring match on the stage of the South Middle School auditorium. The match was instigated by Ali after he and Mathis had engaged in several minutes of friendly kidding.

Ali made a speech at Fountain Street Church. He just dropped in unexpectedly at South.

LEGRA AWAITS WBC MEETING FOR OK ON ● FAMECHON MATCH ●

By Jose Alvarez

Madrid, Spain—Jose Legra is awaiting the WBC Manila meeting for a return match with Johnny Famechon, to whom he lost only on the referee's card.

Manuel Calvo, Spanish holder of the EBU feather title has fractured both hands, and has them in casts. He did it while outpointing Kuider Meftah. His EBU defense will be postponed.

Jose Alvarez has been appointed Vice-President of the Spanish Boxing Federation.

Spain is sending a team of eight fighters to Rumania for the European (AIBA) championships.

Barrera Corpas is slipping and does not deserve high rating. Sombrita has been nominated official challenger to Bruno Arcari's EBU lightwelter title. They'll fight at San Remo, Italy in July.

TAUPOLA RETAINS TITLE IN NEW ZEALAND ● vs. MAHANGA ●

Auckland, Nw Zealand—Fred Taupola successfully defended his New Zealand middleweight title against the challenge of the highly favored Kahu Mahanga. Taupola gave his younger opponent no chance to settle down and after Mahanga had taken two eight counts, the referee called a halt in round seven and awarded the bout to Taupola.

Tongan Semi Halalilo, 179, was too strong for Fijian Iliavi Bose, 174. Bose boxed well in the first two rounds and hit Halalilo with a number of good combinations. In round three the Tongan came out looking for business and a vicious short right put Bose down for the full count.

▶ At Invercargill, welterweight Graham Smith and Sila Nomura put on a good bout. Nomura seemed to be heading for a win. However, Smith rallied in the 10th round and stopped Nomura.

BOXING QUIZ

1: Which professional fighter fought the most bouts?
Ans: Abraham Hollandersky, 1,309 fights.

2: Which heavyweight set record by fighting three main events in three different arenas on one day?
Ans: Battling Levinsky, on New Year's Day, 1915.

3: Which ex-heavyweight champion holds the record for being floored?
Ans: Floyd Patterson, 17 times in title contests.

4: How many champions have received Ring Magazine gold championship belts?
Ans: 227

5: Which champion engaged in the most title fights?
Ans: Joe Louis, ex-heavyweight champ—27.

6: Who scored the most consecutive knockouts in pro boxing?
Ans: The top three: Lamar Clark, 43; Billy Fox, 43; Henry Armstrong, 27.

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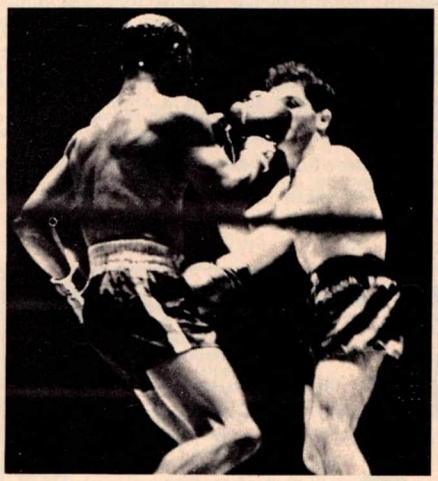

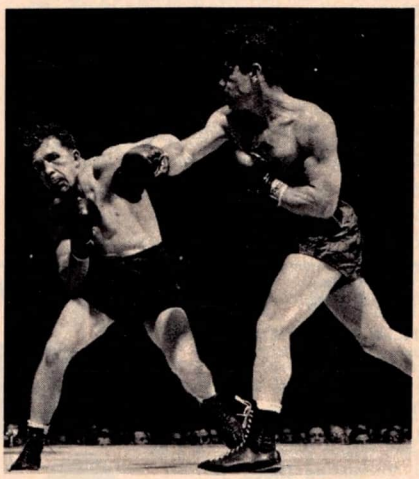

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VBA ROUNDUP

By Scoop Gallello
(National President)

Bruce Flowers, former lightweight out of New Rochelle, who boxed Jackie "Kid" Berg, Stan Loayza, Billy Petrolle, Louis "Kid" Kaplan, Jimmy Goodrich, Honeyboy Finnegan, was the first name entered in the newly formed Westchester County Boxers Hall of Fame. Al Sparks Antonaccio, Mt. Vernon, was the amateur entrant. A dinner honoring these men will be sponsored by VBA Ring #30.

VBA Ring #14, Hudson County, N.J., recently held its 15th Annual Dinner-Dance at Schuetzen Park in North Bergen, N.J. Stanley Poreda, who boxed Joe Louis, is an active member of this group.

National VBA will hold its Annual Convention at Asbury Park, N.J. on October 3-4-5. For further information write National VBA Secretary Irv Silverman at 1208 Leland Ave., Bronx, N.Y. 10472.

Cleo Shans, tough lightweight of the early 1940s, who boxed out of California, migrated east into New Rochelle, where he has lived for many years, is losing his sight. Cataracts are blamed. Cleo is a member of VBA Ring #30.

Carmine Fatta, who boxed Chester Rico, Maxie Shapiro, Tippy Larkin, Bobby Ruffin, Beau Jack and Sal Bartola between 1939-1944, attended a recent function sponsored by VBA Ring #25 in New Jersey. Carmine lives in his home town of Newburgh, N.Y.

Eddie Fay, former professional boxer and wrestler, is being kept busy these days as secretary-treasurer for the New Garden Gym; manager of Chez-Fay Penthouse; agent for Arnold Winters Jewelry Co. and Greene's Luggage Company, all in New York.

Corporal Izzy Schwartz, former flyweight champion, was recently honored at a dinner-dance sponsored by The Officers Group of Civic Chapter Number 498, at the Barbizon. In attendance from the world of boxing were Danny Sabia, Chester Rico, Bobby Brandt, Irv Silverman, Tony Manna, Johnny Colan and George Rugg, who was recently granted an announcer's license by the New York Commission.

John and Sam Antonacci, brothers, President and Board of Governors member, respectively, for VBA Ring #56, were granted a license to promote boxing in Syracuse.

Mike Belloise, former featherweight king from the Bronx is back in Montefiore Hospital, and at latest reports, is a pretty sick man. Drop him a line.

Lou Messina, promoter and matchmaker from New Orleans, has helped form a Veterans Boxing Group in that area, and has been issued Ring Number 58.

Tony Mara, who headlined many bouts at the County Center in White Plains, has "come up off the floor" against illness, and is back working.

Sammy Mammone, former good feather- and lightweight, who boxed out of Cos Cob, Conn. during the late 1930s and early 1940s, is residing in Port Chester, N.Y. where he is a construction worker. He also teaches physical education evenings at the local Boys Club.

Andrew Esposito, better known in his fistic days as "K.O. Morgan" who boxed as a feather, facing Jackie Callura, Sixto Escobar and Benny Lynch, between 1934-1944, is a bartender in Baxter's in Detroit.

RONDON BEATS ZURHEIDE BUT ROCKY STEALS SHOW

By Jack Thompson

The third combination amateur-professional boxing show of 1969, was held at Chicago's Aragon Ballroom .The card was headlined by Milwaukee's Karl Zurheide and Puerto Rico's Vincente Rondon. Vincente gave the Milwaukeean a thorough boxing lesson, throughout the 10-round affair. Unlike Rondon's great win over Allan Thomas here in April, this bout lacked action. The best round was the third, when both boys traded punches for a full minute. The two judges and ref cast their votes for Rondon.

The evening started out well with two amateur lightweight bouts but in the third bout of the amateur portion of the card, a single punch thrown by heavyweight Fred Houpe stopped Tiny Jones, in the first round. The professional part of the program then started. The next two bouts ended in first-round KOs, too. Chicago's Bobby lowing by letting Bobby Mays of St. Louis swarm all over him, causing referee Joe Burton to stop the bout. Carrillo, who was Chicago's 1966 CYO and 135-lb. Golden Gloves champ, has shown signs of greatness. In the eight-round semi-windup, Pedro Sanchez needed only one punch to dispose of Chicago's Rocky Longo. Pedro, Carrillo, disappointed himself and his large following stablemate of Rondon, wrestled with Rocky for about two minutes of the first round, before throwing a left hook and knocking Rocky cold. Longo was to give the fans a show though, as he forgot to put on his boxing trunks and had to retreat back to the dressing room to put them on.

Attendance was a disappointment. 1,495 fans paid close to $7000. The January and April cards were both standing room only affairs.

36-YEAR-OLD BENTON RETURNS TO ACTION, NUDGES De LIMA

By Archie Pirolli

Philadelphia, Pa.—Once a top-ranked contender, George Benton, got back into middleweight contention with a controversial decision over Juarez De Lima in 10 rounds at the Arena.

It was a split decision, the official scoring for which was as follows: referee John Fitzpatrick, 49-46; judge Dave Beloff, 46-45; both for Benton, and judge Nate Lopinson, 49-42, for De Lima. De Lima suffered his first defeat in 20 bouts.

Benton entered the ring after an eight-month layoff. He showed flashes of his former self by outmaneuvering the Brazilian in the early rounds. Benton went into a shell when De Lima started to connect in the fourth round.

In the fifth round the 36-year-old Philadelphian landed several left hooks and combinations that stopped the Brazilian's advances. The fight slowed down and both appeared to tire in the eighth round. The Brazilian won the ninth round but Benton stormed out in the 10th, won it and the fight.

The crowd of 2525, which paid a gross $11,313, disagreed with the decision. The show was promoted by Herman Taylor, on his 82nd birthday.

Eddie (Flash) Tomlin, 142, Philadelphia, drew with Ulysses Jiminez, 141, New York. Lorrie Jackson, 135, TKOd Bobby Grasso, 139, in the fourth round in an all Philadelphia bout. Len Hutchins, 178, won his fifth straight pro bout over Preston Donaldson, 178, Camden, N.J.

▶ Philadelphia Ring No. 1 of the Veteran Boxers Association staged its 34th annual Mother's Day banquet at Palumbo's. Inducted into the Pennsylvania Hall of Fame were: Freddy Kelly, Johnny Clark and Pat Bradley, all old boxers. Bernard L. Lemisch, Esq., attorney for the Veteran Boxers Association, was honored. This brings the membership to 38 in the Hall of Fame, organized in 1958.

Also honored were Bernie Manhoff, co-chairman of the Mother's Day Committee, Joe Shannon, past Ring No. 1 president, and Patricia Morgano, wife of Ring No. 1 president, Tony Morgano, as Mother of the Year.

CLIFF STOPS McGREGOR IN THIRD ROUND IN BAHAMAS

By Bruno Valdez

Nassau, Bahamas—Sugar Cliff, operating out of Fort Lauderdale, added another victory to his impressive list over home ground victims. In a welterweight event at Oakes Field Hangar, Cliff stopped Wesley (Kid) McGregor in the third round. Referee Sammy Isaacs, acting upon the advice of Dr. Norman Gay, terminated the action. There was a deep cut over Mac's left eye.

The contest started off at a rapid pace with McGregor doing his share of leather tossing. Cliff made him miss often and coolly evaded the heaviest punches.

In the third, Cliff opened the eye with a right hand. Sugar Cliff's followers argue he has earned a challenger's position for the British Empire welterweight title.

JORDAN OVER McMILLIAN BY NOT SO MUCH IN RICHMOND

By Jack Levinson

Richmond, Va.—In a closely fought 10-round contest, Norfolk heavyweight John (Speedy) Jordan beat Toledo's Willie McMillian. Judges Joe O'Farrell and Earle McMillian gave the fight to Jordan, 97-95 and 96-95, respectively. Jordan's effective jabs in the 10th round did it.

In the 10-round semi, welterweight Ted Cooper, Washington, scored a second-round TKO over Buck Jessup, Petersburg.

Leo Peterson, Richmond, won a six-round decision over Willy Owes, Petersburg.

Heavyweight Jim Jones, Richmond, and Allie Harris, Petersburg, fought an interesting six-round draw.

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UP AND DOWN OLD BROADWAY

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He adds that he hears from Hattie, wife of the late heavyweight king, Jess Willard, and also from Mrs. Frank Moran, whose husband battled all the big ones.

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Met Charley Fisher, from Freeport, L. I., a friend of Harry Ebbets, middleweight. Fisher, who was a heavyweight and is now 49, had a promising career curtailed because of eye trouble. He boxed around 1935 and was a good left hook and right hand K.O. specialist. Fisher is working for the State of New York.

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A popular figure on Broadway is Al Certo, ex-boxer, who is associated with the Plaza Arena in Secaucus, N. J., smallest fistic emporium in the world with a capacity of 800 seats. He is the gentleman responsible for many of the fine clothes worn by Dempsey, Johnny Addie and others. He is a specialist and has quite a clientele among the fistic gentry. Ask fight buff Johnny Arcaro.

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Jack "Doc" Moore, the octogenarian, who never tires regaling the Broadway gang with stories of his experiences as manager, matchmaker and promoter, recalls when two big name performers, "Wild" Burt Kenney and Leo Houck got $25 each for boxing ten rounds at the New Polo A.C., Pop Kirk's club in Harlem. Also when Harry Stone, East Side lightweight, who left America to make his home in Australia, got a similar sum when he fought at the Olympic Club, also in Harlem. "Doc" added that Stone, who became lightweight and welter king of Australia, once boxed three twenty-round bouts in one week.

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Bobby Gleason, whose gym in the Bronx is a dandy and who has been managing fighters for years, has another new post. He has taken a job with the Everlast Company as a consultant on boxing equipment.

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KO Phil Kaplan, who is still thrilled by the double party given him on his 67th birthday, is happy over the three managers he had—Lew Diamond, the "Honest Brakeman," Willie Lewis, who introduced the sport in France as a great welter, and Champ Segal, who was a lightweight and welter. Lewis taught the art of fisticuffing to Georges Carpentier. Diamond had many performers, including former flyweight and bantam king, Johnny Buff, and the light-heavyweight champion Gus Lesnevich. "Champ" managed Charley Phil Rosenberg, one time bantam king, the crack Philadelphia lightweight, Harry 'Kid' Brown, and Danny Lee, Harlem bantam. Kaplan was a rugged gladiator who took on the best among the welters and middleweights.

JAPANESE BOXING, BORN IN 1905, HAS ENJOYED SPECTACULAR SUCCESS

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accorded a hero's welcome in Tokyo and presented to the Emperor.

The feats of Joe Louis also had an energizing effect upon boxing in Japan. The Brown Bomber's triumphs were received with general rejoicing in the tense climate of pre-Pearl Harbor Japan. When Louis toured the country in 1951, giving exhibitions in aid of a fund for children, he was royally welcomed.

Westerners are inclined to view the fighter-manager relationship in Japan as almost tantamount to foster parentage in this country. If means permit it training quarters are in or adjacent to the manager's house. The boxer lives and takes his meals there, living a life not unlike that of an adopted son in a household. Contracts are complicated, difficult to break and attempts to make managerial changes are usually looked upon as unsportsmanlike, and in bad form.

Despite an amateur boxing background reaching back to the early years of this century Japanese boxers have found Olympic championships elusive. Takeo Sakurai, who won the Olympic bantamweight championship in Tokyo in 1964, when Japan was host to the games, is the only Japanese to enter the charmed circle of Olympic winners. Olympic decisions being what they are, success in these contests is quite dependent on luck. The best the Japanese could do in the Mexico City Olympics last year was a semi-finalist in the bantam class, Eliji Morioka.

Paul Fujii, Hawaiian born of Japanese extraction, caused a ripple of interest in the States because of his Hawaiian background, when he won the junior welterweight title in 1967 by beating Sandro Lopopolo. He lost it to Argentina's Nicolino Loche last year.

Although junior lightweight kingpin Kobayashi is Japan's only current world champion, fistic Orientalists are especially high on the young featherweight WBA titleholder, Shozo Saijyo.

In terms of achievement Fighting Harada, a double champion who presently ranked No. 4 among the world's featherweights must be granted top honors among the busy little nippers from Nippon.

A Japanese sports historian, S. Nakata, has been a respected source of boxing history there since the sport was introduced into the country 64 years ago. The pace of Japanese progress in boxing has been greatly accelerated in the score of years since the second World War due, in considerable degree, to the long tenure of U.S. forces there.

The 500-pound Suomi wrestlers notwithstanding, it appears that it will take the workings of evolution to produce Japanese threats in the heavier classes. This doesn't seem to bother the dedicated, industrious little people across the wide Pacific who go merrily along making better little things, including fighters.

ALIBIS GALORE: TAKE YOUR PICK

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ref went on tellin' him, 'Keep 'em up, keep 'em up!' Well, my boy—not realizin' he was tossin' punches below the beltline, misunderstood the ref's meanin'. My kid thought he was askin' him not to kayo the poor slob. An' so, though he could of flatten the mug any time, he held the bloke up an' lost."

"Havin' too much ham cost my tiger the fight. I don't mean eatin' ham. I mean, actin' hammy, see?—doin' more posin' than fightin'. Throughout the battle my Clark Gable kept gettin' in line of the television camera instead of out of the way of fists. Pleadin' with my pug, did no good."

"Being kind of bashful made my mittman blow the decision. You see, he is a country boy and it makes him shy to appear practically undressed in the presence of women. Where he was raised no dames attended fights. But in this city, in his first showing, females in the arena embarrass him to enter the ring wearing nothing but a pair of trunks."

"Because of my pug's noisy following, he was knocked cold by a wild-swinging mug. My boy was givin' him a beatin'—stabbin' him with lefts an' poppin' him with rights, playin' with him like he's a toy. Alla time the bum's tossin' murderous wallops—an' missin'. He's dangerous, though, so my pug's cornermen yell he should put the finisher on the guy. But onna count my kid's followers is cheerin' fer him, he can't hear the advice. Soon a wild swing catches my kid onna button—an' he's stretched out, cold."

"Wanna know how come my fighter loses? Listen: when not watched, he'll eat anything. So after the weigh-in he drops into an eatin' joint an' fills up on pizza. Well, my boy is showin' his usual skill, punchin' his opponent all over the ring. Soon the other guy hits him in the gut—an' he's on the canvas. So is the pizza."

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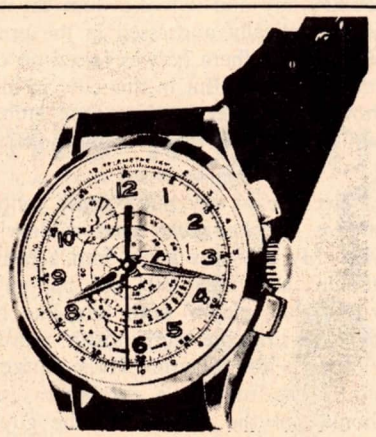

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HIS SERVICE HITCH ENDED, GORDON LOTT RETURNS TO ● ACTION WITH VICTORY ● OVER GALVAN AT MIAMI BEACH

By Hank Kaplan

Miami Beach, Florida—Gordon Lott, 158, Savannah, boosted his career record to 34-3-0 in a return to the ring after lengthy duty with Coast Guard Reserve. At the Miami Beach Auditorium, the left hooker, under the aegis of Marty Fuller, won a decision over Luis Galvan, 162, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, in a good 10. Galvan, a relatively new pro, pressed most of the action but the counter-punching of Lott caught the eye of the judges. There was no knockdown.

In a co-featured 10-rounder, Joe Cartwright, 138½, West Palm Beach, gave away six inches in height to the stabbing Carmelo Guzman, 138, Santo Domingo, and chased his elusive opponent until the ninth round when he landed a short right hand to the head to end the contest. Before that Cartwright tried desperately to cut off his opponent but Guzman was tricky on the ropes and on the inside. Cartwright is unbeaten in six bouts.

The show produced a major local upset as Carlos (The Pirate) Carmona, 161, San Juan, Puerto Rico, survived a first-round knockdown to upset Gene Wells, 160, Louisville, for a deci-

Carmona, a southpaw, mystified Wells, who sion over the six-round route.
was unable to get away from the Puerto Rican's right hand. This was Wells' first loss in five bouts since turning pro. Jimmy Ellis is his tutor.

In another six, Frankie Otero, 132, Hialeah, racked up his 15th straight win by stopping Rafael Villanueva, 129, Santo Domingo, in the second round. Otero punched sharply with both hands and demonstrated improvement in boxing technique.

Tommy Torino, Hollywood, Fla. former Golden Gloves and AAU champion, 156, polished off Larry Edwards, Fort Lauderdale, 154½, early in the second round of a scheduled four-rounder.

▶Promoter Chris Dundee received a plaque from South Florida Veteran Boxer's Associtiaon for his cooperative efforts in VBA ventures, at the third annual installation dinner of the group. Officers were installed by Miami Beach Mayor Jay Dermer as follows:

President, George Mandot; First Vice-President, Danny Danto; Second Vice-President, Scotty Lang; Third Vice-President, Mushy Green; Chairman, Board of Directors, Hank Kaplan; Chairman, Board of Trustees, Tom Heeney; Sergeants at arms, Harry Brandon and Mike Spergel.

As he recuperates from surgery for cataracts, Kid Gavilan, who recently took refuge in the U.S. from Cuba, is planning a gymnasium and restaurant operation in Tampa.

The Miami Beach Fifth Street Gym abounds in main-event talent these days. A quick perusal upon entering its doors finds such entries as Tony Ventura, Lockport, N.Y. hopeful; Sugar Ramos, former featherweight king; Rufus Brassell, Lima, Ohio prospect; Baby Luis, Cuban lightweight now domiciled here; Eddie Talhami; Florentino Fernandez, training for a comeback; Gomeo Brennan, middleweight going better than ever; Stormy Winters, Macon middleweight; Jimmy Ellis, WBA heavyweight champ; Roscoe Bell, Cocoa, Florida welterweight who sparkplugs any fight card, and Charlie Ellis, middleweight brother of Jimmy

"Parson" Frank Jones, Nashville, light heavyweight and honest to goodness Parson with a left hook; Luis Rodriguez, former champ of the welters, keeping his weight down while awaiting his persistent challenges to Nino Benvenuti to be answered; Jos Osuna, lightweight prospect from Santo Domingo; Juan Collado, lightweight from Santo Domingo, and last but not least, Al Jones of Goulds, Fla., southpaw who is shooting for matches against the top echelon, are others working on Fifth Street.

Dario Hidalgo, operating out of Miami, took on Manny Gonzalez, Houston, in a 10-rounder at San Juan, Puerto Rico, and beat him in a grueling feature at Hiram Bithorn Stadium.

Jose Osuna and Juan Collado, of Santo Domingo, have left for Southern California to operate under the management of Stuart Fine, stock broker-sportsman.

Jimmy Williams, Miami middleweight, gave Bobby Phillips a chance to reverse a previous decision before Bobby's home folk and the result after eight rounds of boxing was not accepted cheerfully by Williams. The official decision was rendered in favor of Phillips, Lippe Briedbart's protege.

Visiting here was Charley Varre, former Brooklyn featherweight stylist, who boxed, amongst others, during the late thirties, Vince Del Orto, Bobby Ruffin, Patsy Giovannelli, Monte Pignatore, Paco Villa, Allie Stoltz, Pat Scanlon, Charley Wright, Everett Rightmire, Al Reid, Terry Young, "Schoolboy" Friedkin, Ray Lunny, Ritchie Fontaine, Lenny Mancini and Leo Rodak. Charley was a guest of George Mandot.

Miami heavyweight favorite Pedro Sanchez laughed himself silly when opponent Tony Longo showed up without trunks in a Chicago ring, then waited for him to become proper and knocked him out in the first round.

In his first contest operating out of Miami, Rufus Brassell, 194, Lima, Ohio, looked good as he poured it all over Marion Connors, 189, Canton, Ohio, from the fifth round on until the action was stopped by the referee in the seventh. Brassell, who spends as much time as he can working with Jimmy Ellis, impressed the hometowner greatly.

Suey Welsh, the one-time Akron manager of middleweight Gorilla Jones, was a Miami Beach visitor. 86-year-old Merrell Whitelaw, Akron, who managed Jack White, and Billy Wagner, both brothers of one-time challenger for the lightweight title, Charley White, and was instrumental in the early start of Johnny Griffiths, is a resident of Surfside, near Miami Beach.

Baby Luis, now a 130-pounder, made his initial venture out of town a successful one as he bombed Bobby Rodriguez, Minneapolis, brother of middleweight Rudy, to a first-round knockout at San Antonio.

Jerry White is back in boxing again. Besides developing a Miami stable of promising kids, he also is the matchmaker for the Orlando Armory with Mel Tate, a Florida Golden Gloves champion of 20 years ago, as promoter.

Charley Ellis, brother of Jimmy, is prepping daily for his third pro bout.

Stuart Fine, California stockbroker, must have been an inspiration to bright prospect Jose Ozuna, Santo Domingo bantam. In his first showing at the Olympic in Los Angeles, Ozuna, 118, knocked out Little Azteca, 119½, Mexico, in the ninth round.

The return of Don Lutz to the Miami boxing picture makes him the fourth college-bred boxer operating here. Billy Freel, Frankie Otero and "Parson" Frank Jones are the other three. The fractured right thumb Luis Rodriguez suffered in his knockout over Rafael Gutierrez of Mexico, in San Diego, is healed and Luis is training daily. Eddie Linder, now a lightweight, is back from Mexico and Califoria and shaping up for work here . . . Following a busy Winter season in the Miami Beach Auditorium, Chris Dundee took a breather for a few weeks and will open up soon at Convention Hall. Harry Kid Brown, one-time lightweight of Philadelphia, is a visitor.

BRASSELL STOPS CONNORS IN SEVENTH ROUND ● AT LIMA, OHIO

By Thomas W. Lovgren

Lima, Ohio—Promoter T. W. Lovgren's third boxing show here had everything: knockouts, upsets, wins by the hometown boys, and controversy.

In one half of a double main event, former Ring Magazine prospect of the month Lima heavyweight Rufus Brassell, 196, scored his biggest win to date as he stopped Marion Connors, 185, Canton, at 2:11 of the seventh round. Referee Tony Chudick excused Connors who had taken a trip to the canvas.

The bout to that time had been interesting with Brassell outboxing Marion. Connors was always trying to put across one good punch.

One of the upsets took place in the other half of the double main event as Joe Byrd, 200, Flint, won a split decision over Jack Rodgers, 188, Pittsburgh, in eight rounds.

These men fought a war for three minutes of every round. Joe stayed right on top of Rodgers for eight rounds and kept digging to the body. This was his secret of success. Byrd won five rounds, Rodgers two, with one even.

Tommy Kristian, 139, Youngstown, beat Terry Reed, 142, Akron, via a disqualification at 2:30 of the fifth round. Controversy raged as Reed and his manager thought referee Don Maley acted too hastily.

Howard Youngblood, 160, Lima, won a four-round decision over Frank Thompson, 162, Akron.

Bobby Street, 270, Akron, scored a knockout over Buddy Lewis, 195, Akron, at 2:10 of the second round.

● KRISTIAN-LaBARBA DRAW ●

Buffalo, N. Y.—The Tommy Kristian-Tony La Barba fight on the Ralston-Wright undecard resulted in a draw. Through error, it was sent to The Ring as a Kristian defeat.

FAREWELL, THAD SPENCER! HE'S KO'd IN ONE BY MAC FOSTER

By DON FRASER

FRESNO, CAL.—Former Marine Mac Foster fattened his lengthy knockout string with a one-round KO over veteran Thad Spencer before the largest gate in Fresno history. Thad appears to be finished.

Foster, 212, staggered Spencer several times before putting him away with a left hook to the temple. It was the 18th straight knockout for the unbeaten Fresno native.

Spencer, now fighting out of Las Vegas, weighed 205. The crowd of 5,100 paid $29,718, topping the prior record of $25,555, set by Emile Griffith and Gabe Terronez in 1964.

▶ **Oakland**—Cyclone Barth, 150, Nigeria, stormed all over Fabian Leyva, 150, Mexico, scoring a ninth round knockout at the Aakland Auditorium.

Geary Newmeyer, 116, San Francisco, KO over Ton Rivera, Oakland, 115, (2); Freddie Jones, 141½, Oakland, KO over Frankie Garcia, 147, San Jose, (6); Art Beltran, 120½, Richmond, dec. Bobby Magan, 123, San Francisco, (4).

▶ **San Carlos**—Heavy fisted Jose Moreno, 128, San Jose, churned out a seventh round knockout over Pedro Rodriguez, 129, Guadalajara, Mexico.

Jose Luis Rodriguez, 165½, San Jose, stopped Chuck Hamilton, 170, San Francisco (1); Benny Gerolaga, 112, San Francisco, KO over Art Beltran, 115, Richmond, (3); Billy Kizer, 148, San Francisco, and Jimmy McMullen, 142, San Francisco, drew (4); Dave Garza, 137, San Jose, dec. Billy Thompson, 139, Oakland, (4).

▶ **Woodland Hills**—Antonio (Centavito) Hernandez, 130, San Luis, Mexico, shook off the best punches Gil Gallardo, 131, San Diego, could put together and finally scored a fifth-round knockout.

Gallardo, on the short end of the scoring, was waved out of combat when the bell sounded at the end of the sixth.

Mike Quarry, 172, Anaheim, younger brother of Jerry, continued in the unbeaten ranks with a decision over Bobby Mathews, 167, Los Angeles, in the six-round semifinal.

Ted Lidgett, 161½, Bakersfield, KO over David Liston, 164½, Hollywood (2); Virgil Young, 147, Los Angeles, KO over Efren Cisneros, 149, North Hollywood (4); Billy Gray, 126¼, Los Angeles, KO over Carlos Vazquez, 122, San Fernando (3).

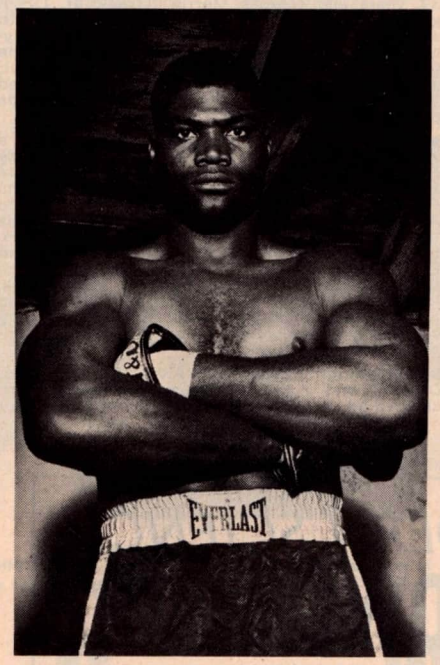
▶ **San Jose**—Enrique Jana, 138, Buenos Aires, gained a unanimous 10-round decision over Gil Gallardo, 134, San Diego, at Civic Auditorium. Jana scored the only knockdown of the fight in the eighth round.

The bout was a late replacement for the Roberto Amaya-Fabian Leyva match. Amaya pulled out with a hand injury, while Fabian's wisdom tooth kept him from boxing.

Rugene Parker, 136½, San Francisco, decisioned Manny Lugo, 141, Los Angeles (8); Benny Garza, 140, San Jose, and Billy Thompson, 138, San Francisco, drew (6).

▶ **Sacramento**—Former State heavyweight king Bill McMurray, 216, wasted no time against Pat Stapleton, 202, Boston, in promoter Don Chargin's feature at Memorial Auditorium.

McMurray found the range pronto and flattened Stapleton after 2:38 of the first round. The gate was a healthy $8890.



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Cipriano Hernandez, 152½, Mexico, KO over Jerry Jacobs, 149, Sacramento (7); David Garza, 135, Fresno, decisioned Freddie Short, 132½, Oakland (5).

▶ **San Carlos**—After giving his best in the first three rounds, Bob Stallings, 196, New York, ran out of petrol against Henry Clark, 217, San Francisco, at Circle Star Theatre.

Clark, California heavyweight champion, showed the effects of a long layoff, but had little trouble scoring when Stallings started tiring. The latter was offering little resistance when referee Tony Bosnich called it a night after 1:29 of the eighth round. The gate was $6386.

Bobby Hicks, 140, San Francisco, and Rugene Parker, 139, San Jose, was ruled "no decision." Hicks couldn't continue, following a low blow in the fifth. Chuck Hamilton, 169, San Francisco, decisioned Art Phelps, 170, Oakland (6); John McMullen, 141½, San Francisco, outpointed Benny Garza, 144, San Jose (4).

▶ **Oakland**—Ralph McCoy, 161, Richmond, hit Cuban Wilfredo Hurst, 160½, with just about every punch he could think of before Hurst's corner called it quits in the seventh round.

McCoy hurt the Miami based middleweight in the second, fourth and fifth rounds, but was unable to land that extra punch to score a knockdown.

Steve Carter, 186, Los Angeles, KO over Andy Nicosta, 201, Portland (1); Tony Rivera, 114, San Jose, and Gary Newmyer, 116½, Oakland, drew (4); Frank Garcia, 146, San Jose and Jimmy McMullen, 143, San Francisco, drew (6).

▶ **Los Angeles**—Making his debut in California, Juan Collado, 134, Dominican Republic, had plenty of fancy boxing but no punch to hold off Rodolfo Gonzales, 135, Long Beach, in the main event at Olympic.

Gonzales dropped Collado in the second and ninth rounds. Following the knockdown in the ninth referee Lee Grossman stopped the fight. It was Gonzales' 39th win against four losses.

Frankie Lopez, 148½, Wilmington, decisioned Joe Crowder, 149, Long Beach (6); Pete Vital, 133, El Monte, outpointed Roberto Llamas, 128, Los Angeles (5); Francisco Valenzuela, 133½, Mexico City, got more points than Raul Gonzales, 133½, Long Beach (5).

▶ **Woodland Hills**—Globe-trotting Nigerian Ray Adigun, 134½, is the new California lightweight champion. Adigun surprised the oddsmakers by stopping Lovelle Franklin, 133½, Oakland, in the fourth round in the Valley Theatre.

The aggressor throughout, Adigun was awarded the bout after 2:27 of the fourth. Commission physician Dr. Jack Useen ordered the fight terminated because of a cut over Franklin's left eye.

There were no knockdowns, but the Nigerian rocked Franklin several times.

Mike Quarry, 171, Anaheim, won his second pro effort with an easy first-round knockout over out-of-condition Butch McCarthy, 175, Phoenix. Baltazar Torres, Mexico, 121, KO over Frank Rodriguez, 119, Los Angeles (3); Dan Fonseca, 128¼, Los Angeles decisioned Alfonso Gutierrez, 128, Mexico (4).

▶ **Los Angeles**—Pint-sized Jose Luis Valdovinos not only took a physical licking, he also got walloped in the pocketbook against Julio Guerrero at Olympic.

Harry Kabakoff, manager of the Mexican bantam, took a gamble and guaranteed Guerrero $10,000, while taking 55 percent of the gate.

Not only did Valdovinos get shelled, going down five times before being knocked out in the sixth, but the gross gate of $24,640 left him with only $1400 after paying off Guerrero.

Valdovinos got off to a fast start and won the first three rounds handily. It appeared that he floored Guerrero in the third, but referee Larry Rozadilla called it a slip.

Guerrero, a stone-faced youngster who hits with either hand, dumped Valdovinos in the fourth, fifth and sixth rounds, before Rozadilla finally stopped it, following the fifth knockdown.

It was KO victory number 23 or the Mexico City gunner against two defeats. Guerrero weighed 119 as did Jose Luis.

In a companion bantamweight 10-rounder, Lennie Brice, Jackie McCoy's boxer, halted outclassed Juan Montoya, Tijuana, in the fourth round. Brice, Los Angeles, weighed 118½, Montoya, 121.

Jose Ozuna, 118, Dominican Republic, knocked out Jose Orantes, 119½ (9); Roberto Llanes, 129, Los Angeles, decisioned Martin Alvarez, 129, Los Angeles (5).

▶ **Los Angeles**—Late substitute Baby Cassius (Eric Thomas) of Pasadena came through with a minor league upset by taking a unanimous 10-round decision over Bobby Rodriguez at the Olympic Auditorium.

The 10 rounds were closely contested, but a bit on the sloppy side. There were no knockdowns. Cassius weighed 132, while Rodriguez, who was also a fill-in, tipped the scales at 137, at least eight pounds over his fighting weight.

John Pouha, 198, Fiji Islands, stopped Joe Prea, 240, San Pedro (3); Nat Robinson, 149, San Diego, decisioned Joe Crowder, 148 Long Beach (5).

▶ **San Diego**—The second professional promotion at the International Sports Arena found a disappointing turnout of 300 for an action-packed program, which saw Changa Carmona, 136, Mexico City, stop Roman Blanco, 137, Venezuela, in the feature 10-rounder.

Carmona kept the pressure on Blanco from the first round on and finally battered him into submission in the eighth round.

In a second scheduled 10, Raul Cruz, 135, Mexico City, had few problems in belting out Mayico Robles, 133, Los Angeles, in the sixth round.

In another 10, Chuy Chavez, 127, Tijuana, scored a knockout over Billy Brown, 128, Manila,

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McKEESPORT CLUB REACHES ● END OF LINE ●

By Bruce Trampler

Middleweight contender Doyle Baird headlined the first show of the year in McKeesport's Palisades Arena. Baird stopped Walter Kelly, Buffalo vet, in the fourth round when Kelly was forced to retire with a leg injury.

Pittsburgh heavyweight Billy Morris won his 10th straight with a first-round kayo of Red Milne, Buffalo. Rich Jankowski, Pittsburgh light King, Akron, lightweight, stopped Bobby Scott, Fairmont, W. Va., in the fourth. Unbeaten Gil heavy, turned pro and stiffened Ted Hamilton, Buffalo, in the first for his sixth straight. In the opener, Leroy Youngblood, Charleroi, outpointed Mike O'Reilly, four. A crowd of 851 took in the show.

▶ Promoter Don Elbaum's second venture of 1969 featured Ted Wright's debut in the light heavy ranks. Wright, Detroit veteran of 80 fights, won the main 10 from Frankie Bullard, Toronto. Gil King, Akron, won a six from Leroy Youngblood, Charleroi, Pa., in a lightweight scrap. In fours, Rich Jankowski, Pittsburgh, beat Tommy Hurley, Uniontown, and Toronto heavyweight Paul (Investment) Neilsen, outpointed Danny Pandulfi. 550 fans enjoyed the action.

▶ A talent show to develop "new blood" featured undefeated Akron lightweight Gil King and Leroy Youngblood in a rematch. King took a close six in a good action fight. Billy Morris, ond to stay unbeaten. Cleveland heavyweight 205, stopped Gene Hunt, 195, Akron, in the sec- Billy Wagner picked on middleweight Tommy Shaffer and won in six. Rich Jankowski, Pittsburgh, decisioned city rival Pete Mercurio at 175 pounds. In the opener, Paul Neilsen iced Ron Harris, Buffalo, in the first. A crowd of 541 paid $2171 at the Palisades.

▶ Doug Agin, Steubenville lightweight, got a rematch with tough Adrian Davis in McKeesport and was flattened in the second round. Davis, a wicked puncher from Washington, D.C., repeated a win from last summer and Agin is now talking of retirement. Rich Jankowski iced Jimmy Edwards, New York, in the second. Gil King belted out Cleveland's J. G. Jones in the opening heat. Aggressive Jimmy Parks, Cleveland, had the better of Uniontown vet Tommy Shaffer in four, and Irish Billy Morris disposed of Dave Jenkins, New York, in the first. 643 fans were good for a box office turnout of $2572.

▶ Don Elbaum presented his version of the North American bantamweight title at the Palisades. Chuck Spencer, slick Cleveland boxer-puncher, won over 12 hard rounds from Gary Garber of Washington to claim the "title." Three fours opened the show. Rich Jankowski was awarded a TKO when Tommy Hurley left the ring after round three of their light heavy encounter. Hurley was suspended by the Pennsylvania Athletic Commission. Heavyweight Sam McGill, a college student, drew with Herman Griffin, Pittsburgh. Middleweight Stan Luster, like McGill a newcomer to the pro ranks, beat Al Melton, Mansfield, Ohio.

▶ Veteran Art (Curly) Miller, 189, Mansfield, pulled a major upset at McKeesport when he put out the lights for previously unbeaten Billy Morris, 195, Pittsburgh, in the first round. Art, 39 years old, ended Morris' streak at 13. A gathering of 606 saw Gil King notch his 10th straight by beating Al Melton in six. Bob Haymon, 150, TKOd Sam Ivory, 145, Flint, in the fourth. Sam McGill, 195, stopped Gene Hunt, 200, in the third, and Paul Neilsen iced Red Milne in the first. Neilsen at 200 had six pounds on his foe.

▶ Adrian Davis, Washington lightweight with a wicked right hand, stopped Pittsburgh's Rudy Richardson in the second round of the feature 10 in McKeesport. Davis is a fine prospect who recently lost on a disqualification in Italy to high-ranking Bruno Arcari, after battering the Italian from pillar to post. In supporting numbers, James Parks of Cleveland took a four from Kenny Baker, Pittsburgh light heavy. Chuck Bollinger, Pittsburgh middleweight in a comeback, outpointed Charley Lewis, Anderson, Indiana, in another four, and the first bout of the evening saw Leroy Youngblood of nearby Charleroi, outpoint Al Melton, Mansfield.

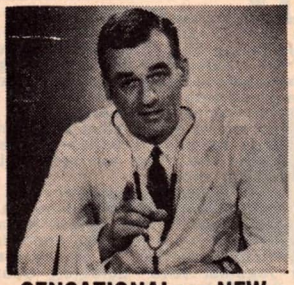
▶ Heavyweight contender Alvin (Blue) Lewis, Detroit, and Toledo's rough Willie McMillan clashed in a card full of surprises. Lewis and McMillan met a year ago and Blue handed Willie his first loss at that time. McMillan almost got revenge this time as he hurt the Detroiter in the early rounds, but Al came back strong to pick up his 21st win in 24 fights. McMillan is 10-2-1. Promoter Don Elbaum, a former lightweight, had to don the gloves again when several fighters failed to appear. Don lost a four to Tommy Shaffer, scoring a "knockdown" en route. In more serious action, Kenny Baker reversed a week-old loss against James Parks, Cleveland. Parks had won his first four as a pro. Middleweight Chuck Bollinger took a four from John Mason in an all-Pittsburgh affair. Only 483 people were attracted by the big-name main event.

▶ McKeesport saw what will probably be its last card ever when Don Elbaum presented another talent show. The lease on the Palisades Arena ran out and is not likely to be renewed. On the last card in the historic old fight club, the scene of many great brawls and the spawning ground of many great fighters, Irish Gil King was featured. King, the Akron lightweight with 12 straight got lucky No. 13 against debuting Bill O'Neill, Fairmont, W. Va., icing the novice in the first. Bad weather and many cancellations caused Elbaum to use O'Neill, who became the seventh man to fall in one round to King. Leroy Youngblood won a furious six from Tommy Kristian, Youngstown lightweight. Chuck Bollinger beat Tommy Shaffer, the fighting barber from Uniontown, in four. James Parks took a four from Kenny Baker to win their series at the Palisades, 2-1. Earl Johnson, Cleveland, returned to Midwest rings after a two-year campaign in New England and flattened vet Chuck McCreary of Youngstown, in the third. Only 150 fans braved the elements for the last round of the Palisades.

▶ **Zanesville**—Bill Douglas, power-punching middleweight from Columbus, Ohio, won a close but unanimous 10 from tough Tommy Shaffer, of Uniontown, Pa. Douglas, 164, showed why he is regarded as one of the best punchers in his class by decking Shaffer in round two. The Buckeye fighter showed the effects of a six-month layoff as he couldn't get his combinations working. Shaffer, 162, has gone 10 rounds with ranking light heavy Jimmy Ralston. Tommy also holds a win over middleweight contender Doyle Baird, and is a tough nut for anyone to crack. Only heavyweight Ronnie Marsh has stopped him.

Frankie Schram, 187, Columbus, used a vicious left hook to ice Dave Hastings, 180, Mansfield, in round one of a scheduled six.

Randy Agin, 145, won a hotly contested four from Mansfield's Al Melton, 148. In the opener, Tommy Russell, 149, Zanesville, won narrowly over very game Johnny Lowery, 144, Wheeling. Promoter John Bauer announced a break-even house and wants Douglas back.



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VANCOUVER AND VICINITY ●

By Jim Johnston

Lillian Shaw of J & L Promotions staged Vancouver's first pro card of the year. In the feature attraction, "Irish" Tommy Burns, 203, of Vancouver, stopped Hugh Mercier, 202, of Edmonton in 38 seconds of the second heat. As a result of his victory Burns now claims the Western Canada heavyweight title. Mercier fought George Chuvalo in 1964 for the Canadian heavyweight crown.

Mercier opened fast and rocked Burns with several overhand rights. Tommy retaliated with a series of left hooks but Mercier seemed to have the edge in the first round.

Burns finished Mercier with a quick combination featuring a righ tto the head which dropped Hughie for the full count early in the second.

Tommy Boyce, 139, Vancouver, pounded out a close 10-round decision over Andy Anderson, 140, Seattle, in the co-feature. Boyce built up an early lead but Andy closed strong to win the last two rounds and the decision was very close.

Eddie Ostapovich, 183, of Lethbridge, stopped game Tommy Del Vechio, 173, of Burnaby in the fourth of a scheduled six-round brawl.

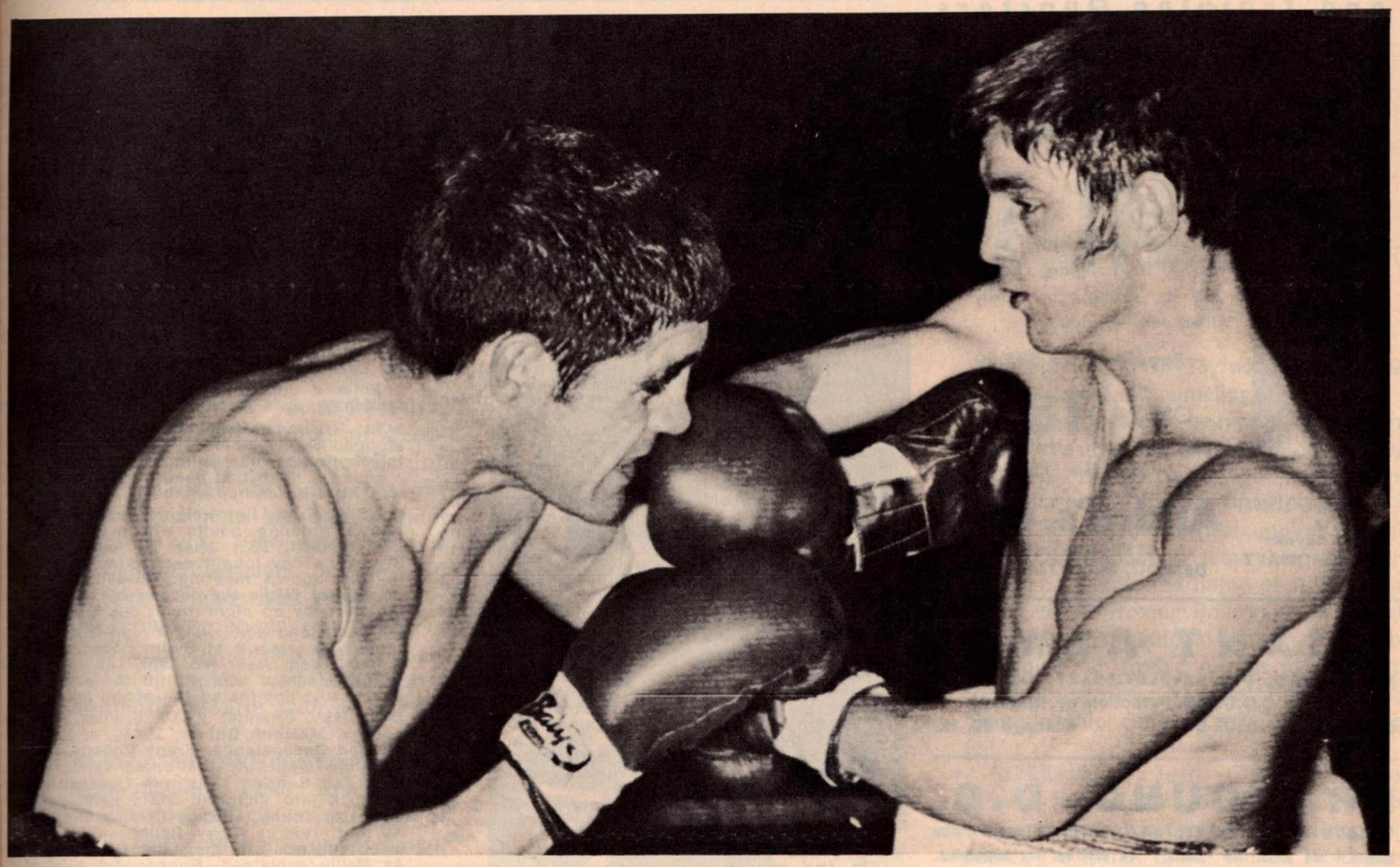
In the opener Tony Dowling, 155, Dublin, stopped Sonny Roy, 151, Montreal, at the end of round one.

A crowd of 700 attended.

▶ At Tacoma, Washington, Eddie Ostapovich dropped a split duke to unorthdox Jeff Wall of Seattle over six rounds. Also on the card Tony Dowling, Irish middle now boxing out of Vancouver, was stopped by Fraser Scott of Seattle in the second.

▶ Les Vegas, Vancouver welter, suffered his first knockout at Edmonton, Alberta, when he was stopped in the fourth by Serge Proux, Montreal.

▶ Dick Findlay, Vancouver 139-pounder, has won six straight as a pro in the U.S.



Johnny Famechon (right), world featherweight champion, is about to land a right to the face of Jimmy Anderson during their 10-round non-title bout at Royal Albert Hall, London. Famechon won the decision in an easy fight.

Famechon Romps To Nods In Anderson, Girgenti Fights

By JOHNNY SHARPE

LONDON, ENGLAND.—Our headliner for this issue of The Ring is Johnny Famechon, of Australia, world featherweight champion.

Famechon, turning a deaf ear to Jose Legra, who is doing his hollering for a return shot in Madrid, recently scored two victories.

Johnny outpointed Italian Giovanni Girgenti in a ten, and easily beat Johnny Anderson, British junior lightweight champion, in another 30-minute go. The Anderson fight was non-title, 128 pounds.

It looks as if Famechon is in no hurry about exchanging greetings with Legra, whom Johnny bypasses for his July defense against Fighting Harada, in Sydney.

Famechon and Girgenti met twice in Australia with a win and a draw in Famechon's favor. The champion was sluggish in the early rounds, and it was not until the seventh did he show his qualities. From then on he won with ease. Both suffered cuts around the eyes.

One of the guests was "Sugar" Ray Robinson. A film of Robinson's fight with Jake Lamotta was an added feature.

Brian Hudson, Woodford, 134¾, added to his unbeaten record the name of George Evans, Merthyr, 136, who was stopped in the fifth, after he had received a cut eye.

John Waddinham, Islington, 130, outpointed Jimmy Allen, Battersea, 127, in six.

▶ **Kensington**—Harry Scott, Bootle middleweight, who has been bidding for a title clash for some time, gained a narrow points win over Bunny Sterling, St. Pancras, in eight .

Sterling, a late substitute, made good use of the ring. Scott punched and pushed Sterling through the ropes where he took a count of eight before he was able to resume boxing. The referee scored them 39½ to 39¼.

Danny Hackett, Crayford, stopped Micky Van, Halifax, in the fifth, when the latter retired. They are lightweights.

Ade Ajasco, Nigeria, outpointed Pat Vernie, Jamaica, in a middleweight six.

Joe Somerville, Watford, outpointed Maurice Thomas, Nigeria, in a middleweight six.

▶ **Bethnal Green**—Mark Rowe, Camberwall, looked like a quick winner when he put Dramane Ouedraogo, French West Indian, down for a count of six in the first round. But Rowe let his opponent off the hook, and had to labor till the end of the scheduled eight before he received referee Bill Williams' decision by 40 to 37¾, plus a badly cut eye in the process.

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● UPSTATE NEW YORK NEWS ●

By Charles Keese

Buffalo, N.Y.—Jimmy Ralston, 170, Buffalo, knocked out Tony Montano, 175, Phoenix, Arizona, with a straight right cross to Tony's jaw, dropping him to his knees, then falling over on his back. Tony tried to rise but his eyes were glassy and he never made it. In one minute and 38 seconds of the first round, Tony left the ring on wobbly legs. It was Ralston's 20th win in 22 professional fights and also his 14th K.O.

After 17 straight wins, Vince Cala, 141, Buffalo, dropped an eight-round decision to Rudy Richardson, 141, Pittsburgh. It was one of those nights when everything went wrong for Vince. At the outset, he suffered a possible broken rib and couldn't use his left very well. Richardson's left jab was in Vince's face all night. Vince ended the fight with a closed right eye and his nose bleeding.

Veteran Earl Johnson, 161, Cleveland, won a split eight-round decision over rangy Al Quinney, 156, Buffalo.

Unbeaten Dick Topinko, 143, Lackawanna, stopped Sam Ivory, 143, Flint, Mich., in 1:07 of the fourth round, when referee Larry Brown stopped the action with Ivory on the floor. Dick's record is now 5-0.

▶ **Syracuse**—Billy Backus, 147, Canastota, and Percy Pugh, 147, New Orleans, fought 12 thrilling rounds, with Billy winning a unanimous decision. Billy now holds a 2-1 edge in three fights with Percy. There were no knockdowns, but every round was action-packed. Billy hurt Pugh a number of times but he could not finish him. Both looked better than they did in January. Pugh was punching faster and Billy was punching harder. Judges Joe Palmer and Tony DeSalro each scored the fight 7-4-1 for Bily, and referee Tony Phillips had it 6-5-1 for Billy. Both suffered cut left eyes.

Felix Jusino, 135, New York City, won an easy six-round decision over Georges Lopes, 133, Syracuse. Felix hit George with almost every punch, but he is a boxer and not a hard hitter.

Winston Noel, 142, Trinidad, gained a six-round decision over Reuben Cortez, 147, Canastota. This was Reuben's first defeat. Although he never stopped trying to land his haymaker, Noel was too fast for Cortez.

Hector Cortez, 150, Canastota, returned to the ring after a short absence to KO Andre Ingram, 150, New York City, in 1:23 of the second round.

In the opener, Lou Hicks, 134, Syracuse, stopped Ronnie Osbourn, 132, Chittenango, in 1:50 of the third round. It was Ronnie's first fight and he was badly outclassed.

▶ Here are the results of the Buffalo team in the Golden Gloves Nationals at Kansas City, Mo.:

112—Paul Wielopolski, Buffalo, lost to Larry Pryor, Detroit.

132—Wonder Lee Scott, Rochester, decisioned Brooks Byrd, Roswell, N.M., a 1967 National champ. Scott lost his second fight of the night. Although he won the first two rounds and was winning the third easily, he bumped heads with Terry Sperling, Minneapolis, and lost by TKO because of a cut eye.

139—Jim Neill, St. Catherines, Ontario, decisioned Bob Avery, Grand Rapids, Michigan. He then decisioned Ronnie Anaya, Roswell, N.M. However, Jim then lost to Eddi eBeauford, Indianapolis, who went on to be National champ.

147—Bernie Guindon, Oshawa, Ontario, KOd Jim Davis, Minneapolis, in round two. Bernie then lost to Samuel Maul, Cincinnati.

156—John Taylor, Lockport, lost to James Harris, Kansas City.

165—Will Munroe, Rochester, TKOd Burt Hays, Huntington, W. Va., in the third round. Willie decisioned John Mangum, Detroit. Willie caught cold and the doctor would not pass him.

178—Tino Mejia, Lackawanna, lost to Stanley Johnson, Las Vegas.

Heavyweight—Ray Whetstone, Lackawanna, lost to Fred Houpe, Chicago.

WAQA LASTS TEN ROUNDS ● WITH DUNLOP IN PAPEETE ●

Papeete, French Polynesia—Bob Dunlop, the Australian and British Empire light heavyweight champion, flew in here for a 10-round fight with Leweni Waqa, from the Fiji Isles.

If Dunlop came with the expectation of scoring a knockout he was sorely disappointed. He won. But the Fijian lasted the 30 minutes and delivered some telling punches.

The house, 3000 paid, set a Papeete record.

18-YEAR-OLD MUNDINE HAILED AS MIDDLE COMER ● IN AUSTRALIA ●

By Ray Mitchell

Sydney, Australia—Australia has a new star in the making. He is 18-year-old part-Aboriginal middleweight Tony Mundine from the NSW country town of Lismore. He is boxing in Sydney.

He took part in a couple of amateur bouts when he was 15,quit the game until he was 18, and now has had five professional contests for five wins. Three of these were preliminaries. The most recent two were main events.

In his first main event he outpointed Ted McKenzie. In his second, he knocked out McKenzie in the fifth round at Redfern. The knockout came out of the blue. McKenzie forced Mundine to the ropes, then Mundine landed a right to the head. McKenzie reeled and Mundine came in fast with left, right, left, all to the head. McKenzie went down, somersaulted and came up on his knees.

Referee Jimmy Carruthers called it off as McKenzie, eyes glazed, tried to regain his feet.

▶ At Brisbane, local welter Ian Robb, 148, stopped Sydneysider Johnny Wright, 145, in the fourth round when Johnny was forced out with a cut eye. Robb had been on the deck but there was little difference in the points at the end.

▶ NSW country lightweight Freddie Wicks, 132½, had a grueling points win over Queenslander Con Russell, 133, after 10 rounds at Sydney Stadium. They fought each other to a standstill in their fourth meeting. Russell won the first on points, Wicks the second by decision, Wicks the third by an eight-round cut eye stoppage.

▶ Queensland welterweight Alan Moore, 147, continued his assault at Sydney Stadium when he halted Fijian Sever Mocasui, 146½, in the fifth frame. Mocasui was not in the same class as Moore who dominated the action all the way.

▶ At HSV Channel 7 TV Studios, South Melbourne, Malcolm Bulner, 154½, of Victoria, outpointed Queenslander Frank Roberts, 156, in the headline eight. At the same venue one week later Ted Bonner, 131, from Queensland, tossed a shock into Victorian State lightweight champion Leo Young, 135, by holding him to a draw. At that, referee Terry Reilly was roundly criticized for not awarding the verdict to Bonner. As Reilly explained, Bonner did a lot of slapping, and you don't get points for that.

▶ A newcomer to the Australian junior lightweight scene is Dennis Higgins, Queensland. Higgins, former Golden Gloves champion, turned pro to outpoint Pat Bonner, at Townsville, Queensland. Both scaled 128.

▶ A former welter, Keith Lewis, made a comeback at HSV Channel 7 TV Studios, South Melbourne, after seven years and one month of inactivity. Lewis, now 155¼ pounds, did well against Billy Choules, 154, for a few rounds, although he did not get on top. Over the last bit Choules pounded Lewis, and referee Terry Reilly called a halt in the eighth round, with Lewis suffering a cut eye.

▶ Queensland lightweight Wayne Doherty, 135, returned to action after a 14 months' layoff and gaine da clear points win over Victorian Tony Previtt, 133, in 10 rounds at Brisbane.

▶ Billy Lewis, 138, and Hans Gent, 140, fell out of the ring in the first round of their six-rounder at Moonee Ponds, Melbourne suburb, and referee Mickey Tollis gave them 60 seconds to recover before continuing. Lewis won on points. In the headline eight, Rino Paglianiti, 147, outpointed Rod Hall, 147.

▶ At Wagga Leagues Club, Melbourne, junior light Trevor Smith outpointed Canberra feather Ken Bradley in 10.

▶ Down on the border between NSW and Victoria, in the city of Albury, local Johnny Gorkom, 170, was awarded a draw against Melbourne's John McCubbin, 163, after 10 rounds. Consensus held that McCubbin was lucky to get a draw.

World bantam champion Lionel Rose's book, written in collaboration with Sydney journalist Rod Humphries, is having a good sale. Titled "Lionel Rose, Australian," it is well written, informative.

▶ At HSV7, South Melbourne, Hilary Connolly, 138, outpointed Daryl Carrick, 137, in the headline eight. At North Sydney Leagues Club, Sydney featherweight John Batty, 126, halted Bud Clayton, 130, Victoria, at the end of the seventh round. Clayton withdrew because of an injured shoulder. Clayton started the bout well and went to a lead, but Batty came home well and was getting on top at the finish.

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JOSSELIN RECOVERS WELTER TITLE, BERTINI OUT IN 8

By J. A. TREE

PARIS, FRANCE—Jean Josselin, France, dethroned European welterweight champion Silvano Bertini, Italy, and won back the crown he lost three years ago. France had been without a European title since 1966, when Yolande Leveque, light-middleweight, Josselin and Maurice Tavant, lightweight, reigned.

Bertini, behind on points, was taken out of the duel in the eighth round on medical advice. The champion was handicapped from the fourth onwards with a cut eyebrow.

Eleven thousand in Vienna hoped to see their local matador Peter Marklewitch crowned European light-middleweight champion. They went home disappointed, agreeing that this championship affair with Italian Remo Golfarini had come a year too soon for Marklewitch. He was cut about the left eye and failed to come out for the tenth.

The European Boxing Union Congress in Vienna has made known two official challengers. German Peter Weiland is next in line for Henry Cooper's European heavyweight title and Josselin must stake his newly won title against Austrian Johann Orsolics.

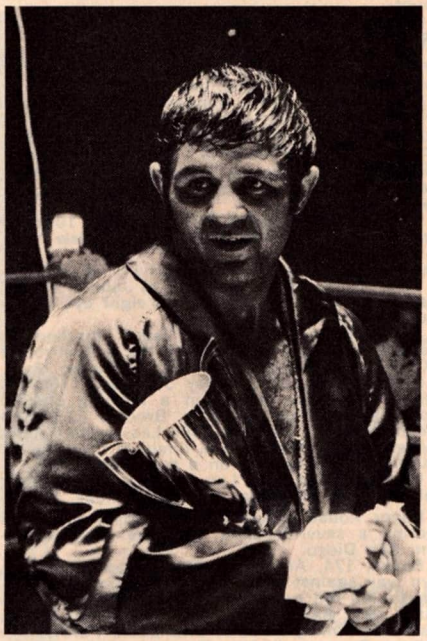
Other points on the agenda resulted in referees being allowed to officiate if they wear contact lenses, but not glasses.

Once an EBU champion affair is dated neither boxer can duck out because of purse disputes and the like. A champion in this case would lose his crown.

A boxer found doped will not only be declared the loser but will be banned for life.

Yugoslavia is to become a member of the EBU. There will be no weight changes in the ten divisions.

After a short illness one time German heavyweight champion Franz Diener, (68) passed away. Born on June 2, 1901, Franz became amateur champion in 1923 and a year later joined the paid ranks. As a professional he had 33 bouts in five years and was steered to the national crown by Sabri Mahir. Diener won the heavyweight title by beating Samson Korner in 1926 and held it until 1928, when he was dethroned by Max Schmeling.



JEAN JOSSELIN

Former amateur heavyweight Romme Rosenberg had a telephone call at his home in Frankfort and who should be on the other end of the line but Rocky Marciano. The retired world champion and his family had flown in from Naples where Marciano visited the home of his parents. The German Boxing Board's annual meeting voted for national title bouts to be scheduled for twelve rounds again. After the death of Jupp Elze last June, all such championship contests were decided over ten.

Middleweight Jean Claude Bouttier, France, having won 36 professional fights, was surprisingly decisioned in ten by Juarez De Lima, Brazil. Pekka Kokkonen has been left in the ratings long enough. It would seem that he has no more interest in the game. The 1960 Olympic winner, *(Continued on page 64)*

EUROPEAN RATINGS

(UP TO JUNE 20, 1969)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
*1. Henry Cooper (GB)
2. Karl Mildenberger (G)
3. Peter Weiland (G)
4. Piero Tomasoni (I)
5. Jürgen Blin (G)
6. Wilhelm von Homburg (G)
7. Gerhard Zech (G)
8. Dante Cane (I)
9. Bernard Thebault (F)
10. Raimo Nisula (Ny)

LIGHT HEAVIES
*1. Tom Bogs (D)
2. Yvan Prebeg (Yu)
3. Piero Del Papa (I)
4. Lothar Stengel (G)
5. Guerrino Scattolin (I)
6. Alfred Vogrig (I)
7. Vittorio Saraudi (I)
8. Harry Kneipp (G)
9. Arno Prick (G)
10. Josehuis Velasco (S)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
*1. Carlos Duran (I)
2. Yolande Leveque (F)
3. Jacques Marty (F)
4. Pascal Di Benedetto (F)
5. Jean Claude Bouttier (F)
6. Luis Folledo (S)
7. Mario Lamage (I)
8. Hans Dieter Schwartz (G)
9. Horst Wieczorek (G)
10. Karl Brunnholzl (G)

LIGHT MIDDLES
*1. Remo Golfarini (I)
2. Sandro Mazzinghi (I)
3. Fabio Bettini (I)
4. Gerhard Piaskowy (G)
5. Jose Gonzales (F)
6. Bo Peterson (Sw)
7. Luigi Patruno (I)
8. Messimo Bruschini (I)
9. Peter Marklewitch (A)
10. Cesaro Barrera (S)

WELTERWEIGHTS
*1. Jean Josselin (F)
2. Johann Orsolics (A)
3. Carmelo Bossi (I)
4. Silvano Bertini (I)
5. Fighting Mack (H)
6. Marcel Cerdan (F)
7. Robert Gallois (F)
8. Domico Tiberia (I)
9. Gonzales Zapico (S)
10. Antonio Torres (S)

LIGHT WELTERS
*1. Bruno Arcari (I)
2. Cemal Kamaci (A)
3. Juan Sombrita (S)
4. Willi Quatuor (G)
5. Barera Corpas (F)
6. Sandro Lopopolo (I)
7. Romani Fanali (I)
8. Rene Roque (F)
9. Ermano Fasoli (I)
10. Roger Zami (F)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
*1. Pedro Carrasco (S)
2. Miguel Velesquez (S)
3. Olli Maki (Fn)
4. Maurice Tavant (F)
5. Carmelio Coscia (I)
6. Bruno Melissano (I)
7. Borge Krogh (D)
8. Harry Piitulainen (Fn)
9. Tore Magnussen (Ny)
10. Jose Luis Torcida (S)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
*1. Manuel Calvo (S)
2. Jose Legra (S)
3. Lothar Abend (G)
4. Nevio Carbi (I)
5. Michel Houdeau (F)
6. Kouider Meftah (F)
7. Renato Galli (I)
8. Giovanni Girgenti (I)
9. Jean Parra (F)
10. Enrico Gismondi (I)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
*1. Salvatore Burruni (I)
2. Franco Zurlo (I)
3. Ben Ali (S)
4. Tommasoni Galli (I)
5. Antonio Sassarini (I)
6. Rodolfo Garcia (S)
7. Francisco Martinez (S)
8. Pierre Vetroff (F)
9. Felix Brami (F)
10. Carmelo Massa (I)

FLYWEIGHTS
*1. Fernando Atzori (I)
2. Franco Sperati (I)
3. Fritz Chervet (Sd)
4. Fabian Bellanco (S)
5. Luis Rodriguez (S)
6. Manuel Alvarez (S)
7. Gerard Alvarez (S)
8. Vittorio Riccardi (I)
9. Joseph Horny (B)
10. Giuseppe Luciano (I)

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VEGAS LIKES BILLY HESTER; ALDERETE COMING ALONG FAST

By Jimmy Cox

Las Vegas, Nev.—Billy Hester is developing into a man local fans want to look at some more. The Pittsburgh, Pa. welter scored his second successive victory at the Silver Slipper, by halting Jimmy Rosette, 167½, San Diego, in the fourth round.

Hester had scored decisively over Ronnie Wilson, San Diego light heavy.

The part-Cherokee Hester waited for an opening against Rosette. And when he found it, lowered the boom, in the second heat. A left hook dropped heavily favored Rosette for an eight count.

Hester finished him off with a perfectly timed right cross at 1:55 of the fourth.

Clarence Geiger, 163, Los Angeles, scored his fifth win against one loss with a third-round TKO over Billy (Indian) Burns, Las Vegas.

Ron Hardison, 140, Henderson, Nev. stopped Freddie Fencil, 139, Los Angeles, in 1:10 of the first round and Raul Gonzales, 133, Long Beach, decisioned Billy Weir, 132, Las Vegas, in five.

▶ Chuck Leslie likes to campaign in the West. He feels more at home and is acclimated around Las Vegas.

He proved his point by scoring a 10-round decision over Charley Green, 179½, New York, in a 10-rounder.

Leslie impressed with his convincing win, al-

Fresh from a New York loss to Johnny Persol, though he received a badly cut right eye in the fourth round.

Art Alderete, 162½, Las Vegas, marked up his 11th straight win, by scoring a first-round TKO win over Mike Gross, 161, Missoula, Mont.

In a five-rounder Stanley Johnson, 176, Las Vegas, made his pro debut a winning one by stopping experienced Eddie Brooks, 175, San Diego, in three. Johnson, 1968 Las Vegas Golden Gloves champ, reached the finals of the national tourney before bowing on a split decision.

Herman Aiken, 193, Los Angeles, belted Teddy LaMera, 218, Missoula, out in one heat.

▶ Roger Rouse looked like the Roger of old in scoring a seventh-round TKO over Ronnie Wilson, San Diego.

Rouse, 174, Anaconda, Mont., had things his own way against the young Californian, and displayed his old punching power. He scored with sharp right hands, a punch he failed to use in losses to Jimmy Rosette and Eddie Parotte.

Dave Oropeza, 146½, Phoenix, 1968 National Golden Gloves champion, looks like the money as a pro. He starched Marvin Hart, 146, Long Beach, in the second round after dropping the California fighter twice in the first.

Dick Finley, 139½, San Diego, scored a five-round decision over veteran Henry Olea, 140½, Phoenix. Ruben Ramirez, 127, San Diego, won a split decision over Roberto (Bobby) Lopez, 135, Las Vegas, in another five.

Eddie (Bossman) Jones, 173, trying to climb back and gain a shot at Bob Foster, scored a unanimous 10-round decision over Eddie Porett, 173½, Las Vegas.

Porett, an accomplished boxer, but lacking punch, won the first three rounds, but was on the defensive the remainder of the fight.

Art Alderete, 162½, Las Vegas, scored a sixth-round TKO win over Leon Liscomb, 157, San Francisco, in a scheduled six-round semi-windup.

Billy Marsh, 173, Las Vegas, pounded out a five-round win over Bill (Indian) Burns, 168, Las Vegas, and Ruben Romero, 141, San Diego, TKOd Felipe Martinez, 140½, Los Angeles, in the fourth.

Bill Miller keeps putting on fine shows every Wednesday night at the Silver Slipper. Bill picked up boxing when it was at its lowest ebb in these parts, and now is playing to standing room crowds.

▶ And now, about Art Alderete. Born and schooled in Phoenix, Alderete cut his teeth on boxing in the amateur ranks. After several winning starts around Arizona he went into the Golden Gloves.

He was a success. Possessor of a good right hand and a knack of learning quickly, Alderete fought his way to a GG crown at Las Vegas then went on to the nationals. He lost in the finals.

Turning pro, he scored four easy victories in Phoenix.

After scoring an easy win at the Silver Slipper he interested a young business executive.

Enter Johnny Smith. A regular at the weekly fight shows, he decided he wanted to be closer to the action. A talk with promoter Miller followed after Alderete's first appearance in Vegas.

Art and Johnny got together. They became a team, these two who had lived in different worlds.

Two weeks later Alderete was back in action again at the Silver Slipper. Once again he won. Two more victories followed quickly. The Olympic at Los Angeles spotted Art in a 10-rounder against another puncher making rapid strides, James Polk.

The fight was a war from the opening gong. Alderete punched his way to a victory.

The 160-pound division is crowded. But neither Johnny Smith, or Art Alderete believes he can be halted in his rush for a rating among the Top Ten.

ANDERSON-McINTYRE FIGHT AT ORLANDO IS SOON OVER

By Tom Ephrem

Tampa, Fla.—It's beginning to look like the good old times here. The fight game under Earl Gilliam's promotion is speeding up and the gym on West Columbus Drive hums with activity. The Tampa Boxing Enterprises, Inc. finally cracked the ice and once more boxing talk has gripped fans. Gilliam's right arms are veterans Lou Viscusi and Bill Gore, manager and trainer in that order.

▶ **Orlando**—Short and sweet was the way to put the two-round punchfest involving The Ring Magazine's ranking light heavyweight Ray Anderson, of Akron, and Willie McIntyre, Fort Lauderdale, when they headed Pete Ashlock's first card here. A surprising turnout of 2053 saw leather flying each moment until Ray ripped a left hook to the body and Willie was counted out just seconds before the round would have ended. Ray notched his 17th kayo. Colonel Dave Hanlon refereed.

Anderson is managed by baseball pitcher Dean Chance and Blackie Genaro, who believe they have a champion in the making in Ripper Ray. There was another two-round halteroo. An amateur bout pitting Joe LaGuardia, a ground radar technician at McCoy AFB, and Larry Edwards went to the serviceman middleweight. Joe's left to the body followed by a right to the jaw, satisfied his buddies, numbering 100 strong in registering his 36th win in 38 appearances.

Jimmy Gibavitch, Miami, was awarded a TKO in the fourth round when Houston Hess, also Miami, was accidentally pushed out of the ring and could not make it back. Juan Jiminez, Miami, defeated Lyle Randolph, unanimously. Earl Blake, Tampa, stopped Buddy Taylor, of the Bahamas, in the second round of their meet.

▶ **Savannah**—Sitting on the sidelines is not for Gordon Lott. This junior middleweight, who put his city on the map, then helplessly watched it deteriorate, seems anxious to make the move against topnotch competition now, or put the gloves away.

▶ **Tampa**—The youngster wants to be a boxer, his heart is set on that goal. He has dropped out of college to further his ambition and all the pleading of his parents falls on deaf ears. Realizing this, former heavyweight contender Joe Matesi and Mrs. Matesi, of New York, reluctantly gave in, with understanding their son Johnny, like Dad a heavyweight, would be under guidance of Viscusi and Gore.

Lou and Bill want Johnny to finish college. Matesi, who never had the gloves on before, is looked after by this combine.

WEPNER FOLLOW-UP ON DAVILA VICTORY, BEATS BRUCE

By Ronnie "Burns" Bouse

Secaucus, N.J.—Chuck Wepner, Bayonne, New Jersey heavy champ, packed the Plaza Arena and showed hometown fans some real action as he drubbed tough Mike Bruce, Springfield, Mass., in an eight. Chuck just off a win over Roberto Davila in Madison Square Garden, continues to improve each time out.

Ring Nine, VBA, of Passaic and Bergen Counties, recently held a Dinner meeting at Paterson's Alexander Hotel. A large crowd was on hand to hear President Jersey Jones give a complete report on what is happening in the world of boxing.

points decision over Jack O'Halloran of Runne-

British heavy hope Joe Bugner won a narrow mede, N.J., in an eight in London.

Sammy Goss, Trenton's holder of amateur titles has turned pro and is undefeated in the featherweight ranks. Goss has been plying his wares in New England and looks like a real comer.

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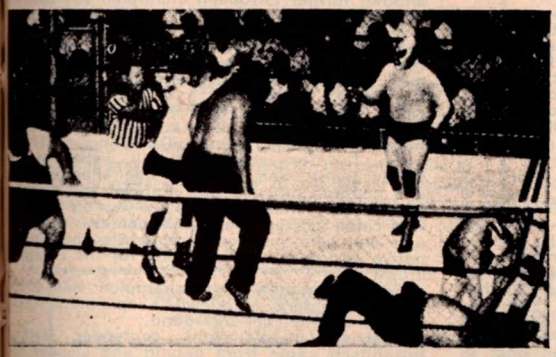

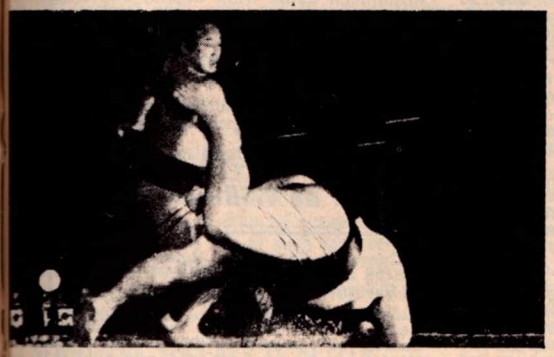

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● GRAY TAKES 12th IN ROW ●

By Frank Allnutt

Toronto—All Canada Sports, in an effort to start small club shows in Toronto launched its first program with unbeaten local welterweight Clyde Gray featured on the card.

Over eight rounds, Gray, 151, had his hands full in gaining a unanimous decision over Serge Proulx, 152, Montreal. Early in the bout, Gray opened a small cut over Proulx's left eye which bothered the Montreal fighter. In the fifth round Gray suffered a deep gash over his left eye which caused him to box and stay away from the two-fisted, busy Proulx.

At long range boxing, Gray has all the moves and class of a seasoned pro and the crowd gave the local boy a big hand for his superb boxing which kept Proulx at bay for the remainder of the fight. The pace and footwork set by Gray throughout the fight was too much for the rough, tough Proulx to contend with.

After the decision was announced Proulx had one comment to make to Gray, "You're a good fighter, my friend." There were no knockdowns by the cut sustained by Gray will keep him on the sidelines for a month or six weeks. It was Gray's 11th pro win in as many starts.

Heavyweights Stamford Harris, 230, Toronto, and former Canadian light heavyweight champ Leslie Borden, 198, Montreal, had themselves a real slugfest over eight rounds, Harris decking Borden in the first and sixth rounds to gain the nod on all three cards. Throwing punches at each other from all over for the first four rounds, they had the fans cheering them on. Both fighters gave the fans what they were looking for, fighting rounds seven and eight at a real fast clip, punching until the final bell. It was a great fight between two rough, tough heavyweight fighters.

Frank Bullard Jr. was to have appeared in the third eight-rounder but had to withdraw for medical reasons. A substitute bout between Gary Broughton, 154, Brantford and Walter Kelly, 162, Toronto, saw Broughton gain a split decision. Throughout the fight it was the Brantford fighter who did all the forcing. Kelly was content to coast and counter-punch when the opportunity arose. There were no knockdowns but Kelly was a very tired fighter at the conclusion.

Over six rounds Toronto fans got their first brief look at Paul "The Investment" Nilsen, a local heavyweight being backed by 50 business people in the city. Gene Hunt (Akron) was lined up by the promoters for this one but the Ontario Athletic Commission would not sanction the bout. Buffalo's Tommy Quick refused to take the bout so Tony Hibberts, Toronto, filled in. At 200, Nilsen was never in trouble. Hibberts, 174, did not have the power to keep Nilsen away and suffered heavy punishment and was decked in the first but managed to last the round. Just 36 seconds after the second round began, with Hibberts taking heavy punishment, referee Sammy Luftspring wisely stopped the fight to save Hibberts from further punishment. It was Nilsen's fourth pro fight and his fourth KO win.

In the opener Aldo Corelli 160, and Gary Falls, 155, two amateurs from the D'Amico Club in Toronto, boxed a five-round no-decision bout, receiving a great ovation from the fans at the end.

From the opening bell, an out of condition Bob Cleroux, 215, proceeded to administer to Bob Felstein, 194, an unpolished but remorseless thrashing to end up with a lopsided decision. On the five-point must system, Tommy Dalton saw it 50-41, Armand Brissette, 49-44, and Claude Theroux, 50-43, all in favor of Cleroux.

Clyde Gray, Toronto's young welterweight, treated the fans to a display of boxing in disposing of Clement Bureau, Montreal, by a three-round KO. Gray, taking part in his 12th pro bout, made it 12 wins in a row. His footwork and counter-punching had the Montreal fighter bewildered after the first two rounds.

In the semifinal, former Canadian light and welterweight champion, Armand Savoie, Montreal, attempted a comeback with an eight-round fight against Luc Pivin, Montreal, it was a disaster for the former champ. In The Ring Record Book, Savoie is listed as born in 1928. All he had left was heart. Showing no respect for age or reputation, Pivin jabbed his way to a unanimous decision, coming out of the fight without a mark.

Over four, Luigi Aprile beat Jean-Claude Lemay, middleweights. Gaston Pelletier won by TKO over Raphael Ralf at 2:38 of the third in a featherweight bout.

Nine new amateur champions resulted from the AAU Ontario championships. The best bout, junior middle, was between Johnny Lapadula, Toronto, and Ray Doiron, Kitcehner, Ray Won.

Winners of special trophies were: Best Boxer, Roy Doiron, Kitchener; Best Sportsman, Johnny Lapadula, Toronto; Best Prospect, Gary Summerhays, Brantford; Best Loser, Albert Proctor Guelph; Winning Coach, Frank Bricker, Brantford.

GOLFARINI RETAINS EUROPEAN TITLE, ● STOPPING MARKLEWITZ ●

By Leo Vollnhofer

Vienna, Austria—Peter Marklewitz, Austrian middleweight champion, failed in his attempt to win the European junior middle crown from Remo Golfarini. Marklewitz had the misfortune to suffer a deep cut on his left eyebrow in the second round. The Italian, a tricky performer weighing, like his opponent, 154, concentrated throughout the remainder of the figh ton right hand shots to the injured area, and falling into a clinch after every blow, he nullified the left hand of southpaw Marklewitz.

British referee Harry Gibbs repeatedly warned the Italian for butting and holding. The European champion, fully aware of Marklewitz's KO record, stuck to his tactics—and won!

During the rest period between the ninth and 10th rounds, Gibbs walked over to the gory Marklewitz, asking him: "Can you see me?" The Viennese muttered, "Not very good, Sir!"

Gibbs stopped hostilities at once and declared Golfarini the winner. Marklewitz, visibly handicapped by his early cut, neglected to make proper use of his right hand and waited too long—and in vain—for a chance to land with his left.

Golfarini proved to be a fast moving and accurate punching champion but failed to impress the 11,000 fans because of his constant holding.

The sensation of the evening occurred in the welter battle between Vienna-based Turk Cemal Kamaci and German Willi Quatuor, the fast world-rated Teuton. Kamaci had won fame by outpointing then world-rated German Conny Ruthof and tried hard to repeat this feat against another former European champion and German title holder.

Quatuor did his utmost to end the fight in the early rounds but Kamaci made good use of the ring, circling around the methodical German, who two years before fought Paul Fuji for the world's crown, like a mad Dervish, but always countering with both hands.

Suddenly in the sixth round, Kamaci came home with a body punch. Quatuor almost went down. The Turk sensed the kill, walked in with hands flying, and Quatuor was knocked down and counted out. He was shipped to a hospital as a safety measure. The 26-year-old Kamaci, who came to Vienna a poor shoemaker two years ago and who now owns a textile shop in his native Istanbul, will soon box for the European crown.

German middleweight champion Hans-Dieter Schwartz blitzed Marklewitz's spar-mate Michel Blinker in the opening round.

Austrian middleweight contender Mathias Rosenitsch came from behind and stopped former German champion Werner Mundt, half-brother of Quatuor, in the sixth.

Welter Helmut Stary had to face more experienced Italo Duranti, Italy, and fought his heart out to earn a draw after six rounds.

● NEWS FROM VENEZUELA ●

By William Albert

Caracas—Fernando Sotelo, 126½, Mexico, scored a TKO over ranked Alfredo Marcano, 127, in five rounds.

Antonio Gomez, 125½, outpointed Mario Manrique, 126, Mexico, in 10 rounds. Luis Lumumba Estaba, 114, scored a TKO over Mario Diaz, 113, Mexico, in four rounds. Orlando Silva, 126, and Jose Noguera, 126½, fought four rounds to a draw. Virgilio Gonzalez, 147¼, outpointed Alberto Bidu. 148, in six rounds.

▶ **Caracas**—Cruz Marcano, 128½, outpointed Francisco Bolivar, 127, in 10 rounds.

Frank Leroy, 126, knocked out Jose Godoy, 126½, Colombia, in one round. Carlos Rojas, 130, outpointed Emiliano Marron, 131½, in six rounds.

▶ **Maracaibo**—Carlos Hernandez, 137½, scored a TKO over Alfredo Urbina, 137, Mexico, in two rounds.

Jose Acosta, 136½, outpointed Nicolas Sanchez Garcia, 137, Mexico, in 10 rounds. Unbefeated Betulio Gonzalez, 111, outpointed Mario de Leon, 112, Colombia, in 10 rounds. Antonio Medina, 114, scored a TKO over Luis Zambrano, 113½, Colombia, in two rounds. Ramon Brazo, 126, scored a TKO over Jesus Ferrer, 125, in one round.

▶ **Caracas**—Hilario Diaz, 112, outpointed Mario de Leon, 112, Colombia in 10 rounds.

Nestor Rojas, 127, scored a TKO over Orlando Natera, 126½, in six rounds.

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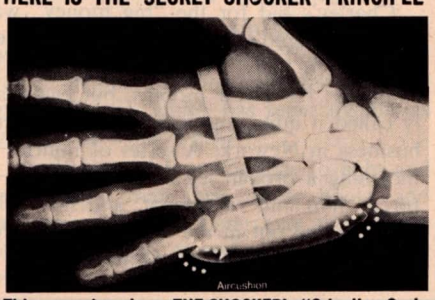

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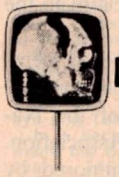

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JERSEY JONES RECALLS

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visiting Britishers, Ted Moore of England in San Francisco and Welshman Frank Moody in New York.

Out of his ring earnings, Norfolk bought a home in Harlem for himself and his wife, Maria, a Colombian girl. A quiet, likable sort, the Kid spent much of his time at the Harlem Elks and in a local billiard parlor watching the neighbors shoot pool.

Some years ago we had occasion to report the serious mistake a couple of muggers made when they picked on Norfolk as a likely victim. Nearly blind, the Kid, blown up into a baby blimp, was groping his way through Harlem when attacked by hoodlums. He could still handle his fists, however. If the police hadn't arrived when they did, the muggers would have wound up in the morgue. As it was, they became hospital cases.

Norfolk's health began to decline when Maria died, and he put in a siege in Harlem Hospital before joining her in the sleep that knows no awakening.

George Barton had been a noted boxer, instructor and referee in the Twin Cities before he became a sports editor and columnist in Minneaplis. As a bantam and feather, his most prominent performance was a six-round decision over Terry McGovern in St. Paul in 1904. As a referee, he officiated in scores of battles headlining many of the world's outstanding ringsters, including Jack Dempsey's first meeting with Billy Miske in St. Paul in 1918. Earlier, in St. Paul in 1915, George had disqualified bantamweight champion Kid Williams in a bout with Johnny (Kewpie) Ertle, and his action stirred up considerable furor over Ertle's claim to the championship.

In recent years Barton had been a member of the Minnesota boxing board and served one term as president of the National (now World) Boxing Association. During the mid-'50s he was honored by the New York Boxing Writers Association with the James J. Walker Memorial Trophy for long and meritorious service to the sport.

Through the years this commentator has written so much about Joe Woodman and his long-time association with boxing as promoter and manager that there hardly is anything left to be said. Joe is best remembered as manager of the great Sam Langford, but during his long, active career he handled many other topliners. At one stretch he and the late George Lawrence operated one of the largest and busiest "stables" in the industry, specializing in foreign heavyweights. Woodman had some rough going in recent years, with several hospital stays, and he had been in a New York nursing home when final illness overtook him.

Charley Weinert was one ringster who failed to cash in fully on his remarkable natural talent. A native of Budapest, Hungary, Charley was an infant when his family brought him to the United States, settling in Newark, N. J. It was while living in West Orange that he began to attract serious attention in boxing. He did mos of his early campaigning at Paddy McGuigan's in Harrison, and Gus Troxler's over the Jersey Central terminal in Newark. As a middleweight, and in his mid-'teens, he whipped such experienced campaigners as George Ashe and Sailor Morrow, and as a light heavy he stopped Sailor White. He was just 18 when he startled New York authorities by dealing a boxing lesson to Battling Levinsky at Bill Brown's gym. From then on, he continued his upward progress by beating the likes of Gunboat Smith, Tom McCarty, Jim Coffey and other prominent big 'uns. It was only a few months ago in these columns that we recalled Weinert's "feud" with a neighborhood rival, clever, ringwise Jim Savage of Orange, and their two bouts in New York, Charley winning the first on points and the second by a knockout.

Weinert's problems began when he got "too big" for West Orange and moved back to Newark. Dubbed with the title "Newark Adonis," he found training a dull bore, and concentrated on life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, with the inevitable result that his ring fortunes fluctuated and defeats became almost as frequent as victories. He was outpointed by Billy Miske and stopped by Fred Fulton.

After serving in the Navy during World War I, Weinert returned to the ring, but his erratic permormances were still with him. He registered impressive triumphs over Cap'n Bob Roper, Willie Meehan, Al Roberts and Marty Burke, but was outpointed again by Miske and knocked out by Luis Angel Firpo. Later, he became serious enough to get down to real training and gave Firpo a thorough boxing lesson in a return match.

Charley's bid for the "big money" was rudely shattered when Harry Wills knocked him out in New York. He continued to campaign for a few months, but eventually called it quits, and went into the tavern business in Newark. A series of injuries—including a broken leg a few years ago—forced him into retirement, and finally he was counted out in the Veterans Administration Hospital in East Orange.

THE CHATTER BOX

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featherweight in New York and Puerto Rico in the Forties and Fifties, is now a chef at the Restaurant "500" in New York City . . . Marvin Alpert of Los Angeles, son of former trainer Ruby Alpert, is co-manager with Johnny Flores of junior lightweight Ruben Navarro. Marvin is a well-to-do attorney . . . Sacramento heavyweight Ray "Junior"Ellis is laid up with a broken rib . . . Los Angeles promoter George Parnassus has offered Nino Benvenuti $100,000 to fight welterweight champion Jose Napoles . . . Undefeated welterweight Clyde Gray of Canada, is employed by a poultry concern as a truck driver . . . The Amateur Athletic Union of the United States has appointed Vern Woodward, former University of Wisconsin boxing coach, National Junior Olympic boxing champion . . . Paul Fleck, who bought the contract of welterweight Stan Hayward for $10,000, sold it back to the Philadelphia boxer for one dollar . . . Argentina promoters Lazaro Koci and Ernesto Martinez offered junior lightweight king Hiroshi Kobayashi $30,000 to defend against local boy Carlos Canete . . . The Mando Ramos-Yoshiaki Numata lightweight title bout was the first to be telecast to the Orient . . . Former boxer and trainer Charlie Culetta is a car inspector for the New York subway system . . . Light heavyweight Chuck Leslie was voted the "Best Fighter" for the first quarter of 1969 by the Las Vegas Boxing Hall of Fame . . . Heavyweight George Johnson, who lost to Sonny Liston, came up a winner anyway. He married the lovely Olivia McJunkins a week after the Liston bout . . . Los Angeles Lightweight Jimmy Fields works full time for the Weber Bread Company . . . Middleweight Wade Smith of Portland, Ore. made a remarkable comeback since being burned severely last summer. He beat Rudy Escobedo in 10, in his first comeback bout . . . Seattle heavyweight Bill Schellhas has called it a career . . . Los Angeles light heavyweight Richard Steele won on his return to the ring after recovering from two broken ribs resulting from his last outing in 1968 . . . A former Olympic great is now under the influence of a black power group which could jeopardize his pro career.

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SOLOMONS-LEVENE, EATON-PARNASSUS VENDETTAS RAGE 6,000 MILES APART

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knocked out Jack London, Brian's dad, in the sixth round. Jack and his big cigar became established that July night in the major field of boxing promotion.

Solomons has had more than his share of major fights. In recent years he has ventured out of London, in association with outland promoters. At one time he thought he would invade New York and fight Mike Jacobs. Fortunately for Solomons, he changed his mind.

Night or day, seven days a week, the thing uppermost in the mind of Jack Solomons is to beat Harry Levene to the punch.

Not far from the Solomons headquarters on Great Windmill Street is the Levene bailiwick at 87 Wardour Street.

Jack is moving toward 69, Harry is 68. Like Solomons, Harry was born in London's Ghetto East End. Like Jack, he now inhabits the West End.

There was a time when Harry was part owner of the West End Restaurant. But always boxing was No. 1 in his mind, and in his ambitions.

Solomons never has been a manager of record. But Levene came out of the company of pilots, having managed, at one time, four such standouts as Larry Gains, Dave Crowley, Jock McAvoy and Jackie Kid Berg. Harry was only 16 when he acted for competent featherweight Danny Frush.

Levene got a taste of the U.S.A. for four years, being employed in the circulation department of a New York newspaper. He didn't stay and in 1953 broke out in the promotion business. He started in Royal Albert Hall, moved to Empress Hall, then Wembley.

It was Levene who promoted the Cassius Clay-Henry Cooper fight, May 21, 1966, in which Clay was decked but Henry was stopped in six.

The Mrs. Eaton-Parnassus vendetta is unusually intense because George used to work for Aileen.

George has a new, gorgeous arena at Inglewood, built by Jack Kent Cooke, and will use it to make life more interesting for the woman who operates the Olympic Arena at 18th and Grand, in the heart of Los Angeles.

Aileen was born in Vancouver, B.C. some 60 years ago. Her dad was a Polish refugee, her mother came from New Zealand.

Her connection with boxing traces back to her second marriage in 1949 to Cal Eaton, who was operating the Olympic, not with consummate success.

Aileen is a tough poker player. She is a sharp negotiator, a crafty feudist for even so crafty a feudist as Parnassus. And they come no craftier.

Aileen's master stroke as a promoter was the 1960 twin bill in which Carlos Ortiz met Battling Torres, and Joe Becerra fought Alphonse Halimi in the Coliseum.

Becerra stopped Halimi in nine for the bantam title, and Ortiz stopped Torres in ten for the junior welterweight championship.

This card set some sort of Coast record, with a gate of $383,000.

Of late, Parnassus has achieved the financial advantage over Aileen. But watch out.

On December 6, 1968, in the Forum, Lionel Rose, bantam titleholder from Australia, outpointed Chuco Castillo in 15 rounds with a gate of $193,240 for Parnassus.

More recently, Parnassus put on the fight in which Jose Napoles took the welter title away from Curtis Cokes, with $192,765 in the till.

One of Mrs. Eaton's major operations saw $269,412 come through the Coliseum box offices for a big card which had a tragic setting, the death of Davey Moore after a tenth round KO by Sugar Ramos for the featherweight title. The fight took place March 21, 1963, and Moore died two days later.

George Parnassus was born in Greece 73 years ago. He arrived in the United States at age 18, and before long did what most Greeks do here. He opened a feedery, Acropolis No. 1. This was in Phoenix, Arizona.

In 1927 George got tired of feeding Kid Carter and became his manager. He has been at it ever since.

The Inglewood promoter has quite a family. George, Jr. is a priest, and William is a doctor.

Parnassus has promoted 49 championship fights, by his own count. He figures that he will add some 10 more before he quits.

Boxing ill in Great Britain? Not while Solomons and Levene are feuding.

Boxing sick in the United States? Not while Parnassus and Mrs. Eaton are involved in their running vendetta out there by the Pacific, which has repercussions as far East as New York.

Long may all four continue to fight and feud. Long may they throw hooks and jabs at each other. Long may they annoy other promoters, struggling for the feature breaks.

They are, after all, in a game of confrontation and contention, with no mercy asked or given.

THAT WAS THE YEAR! 1925! ALL CHAMPIONS WERE AMERICANS!

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rings, and later in Mexico.

The lightweight title had passed to Mando Ramos, an American of Mexican lineage.

The featherweight laurels were being flaunted by Johnny Famechon, of Australia and the world bantamweight honors were in possession of Lionel Rose, another Antipodean, with Aborigine antecedents.

In the flyweight class the laurels had shifted to Alacran Efren Torres, Mexico, from Chartchai Chionoi, Thailand.

The Big Money still was to be found in the ore bearing terrain of the United States. Frazier and Ellis were being offered more than half a million between them, and neither the champion.

Will there be another 1925 for Yankee boxing? No, not ever again. But let's not cry. The boxing field is vastly bigger than ever before geographically, and American fighters still command world respect and universal laurels.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

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P.I., in the eighth. It was a cut eye which ended matters.

▶ **Concord**—California light heavyweight champ Terry Lee, 177, outpointed Joe Hopkins, 172, Salt Lake City, in a 10-rounder at Mt. Diable High School.

Steve Grant, 185, Oakland, decisioned Ray Ellis, 204, San Francisco (8); Jesse Hill, 168, Oakland, KO over Wally Castro, 159, Berkeley (2); Benny Garza, 142, San Jose, outpointed Billy Thompson, 142, Oakland (4).

▶ **San Francisco**—Trailing slightly on points, Oakland's Jimmy Lester, 162, dropped Pedro Miranda, 161, San Juan, P.R., in the sixth round of their scheduled 10 at Civic Auditorium.

Referee Jack Downey stopped the bout when the transplanted Cuban came off the floor in a daze. It was knockout No. 28 for Lester.

▶ **Los Angeles**—Dick Steele, 174, another Jackie McCoy fighter, returned to action following a nine-month layoff and scored a unanimous 10-round decision over Eddie Talhami, 175, Miami, at the Olympic.

Steele took command early and rocked the Angelo Dundee prospect several times, but couldn't score a knockdown. It was a bruising scrap with Steele ending up with a closed left eye and Talhami gory at the mouth.

In a second 10, Shinichi Kadota, 139, Tokyo, made his U.S.A. bow a winning one over Benito Juarez, 145, Mexico.

Frank Rodriguez, 145½, Los Angeles, decisioned Nate Robinson, 148½, Long Beach (4); Peter King, 123⅔, Los Angeles, KO Alphonse Gutierrez, 124, Los Angeles (4).

FRASER SCOTT: HUCK FINN OF THE MIDDLEWEIGHTS

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Scott is determined not to let any obstacles get in his way. He won't marry until after his boxing career is over.

As Scott and West started to leave the gym, the redhead turned around and with a grin said, "Mark it down. I'm going to be the middleweight champion of the world."

West shook his head, laughed and threw both arms in the air. "He will, baby, he will."

HENRY COOPER: "OLD BLOOD AND GUTS"

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tremendous handicap because at one time he was what the fight game terms a bleeder. In both fights aganst Cassius Clay, Cooper's face and body were smothered in gore.

But such has been the care taken of those eyes with operations for removal of scar tissue, plus the fact that his corner man, Danny Holland, is great on cuts, that Henry has managed to survive and has remained undefeated over two years, including two European and two British championship fights.

It's odd but his famous left hand has been fractured four times. Yet he has scored more knockouts with his left hook than any other British heavyweight. When he and his identical twin were boxing as amateurs, professional fight managers weren't interested in Henry because they said he couldn't punch.

They were all chasing his brother George, who was knocking out Army opponents with a fair old right. It took shrewd Jim Wicks to work out why the more gentle twin couldn't punch. Jim suddenly realized Henry was pulling his punches in order not to hurt George in the gymnasium. He was also starving himself to keep down to the light-heavyweight division because he didn't want to come up against George in the heavy class.

Wicks declares: "'Ennery's such a nice geezer, he still wouldn't belt George if they met in the gym. You have to keep at him to make him mad."

Cooper has done well to hold the British title more than 10 years. He already has beaten the record of Bombardier Billy Wells, the previous longest reigning British heavyweight champion.

Yet, 12 years ago Cooper seemed washed up as a young fighter. He lost three title fights in a row. On February 19, 1957, he was knocked out in nine rounds by Joe Bygraves for the British Empire Championship. On May 19, 1957, Ingemar Johansson knocked him out in five rounds for the European title. On September 17, 1957, Joe Erskine outpointed Cooper for the British crown. It looked like the end of the road at the age of 23.

A desperate Jim Wicks took Henry off to Germany to get his fighter some work. He won, drew and lost a fight on a controversial disqualification. German fight fans loved him. He was getting back in business.

But the real turning point in his career came in September, 1958, when he fought the Welsh heavyweight, Dick Richardson, at Porthcawl in South Wales.

After a bloody battle for four rounds, Richardson, 17 pounds heavier, sent Cooper crashing with a heavy right. A pool of gore appeared on the canvas from a gash over Henry's eye. He dragged himself up at six and Richardson went in for the kill.

As the Welshman charged forward, Cooper let go with a left hook. Richardson went down and out. That night, Henry Cooper's father, a slim, quiet man, jumped into the ring for the first and only time.

"My boy!" he shouted. "Who said you can't punch harder than Richardson. You've proved them all wrong."

That night "'Ennery's 'Ammer" really came to light. In his next fight, he beat Zora Folley and then thrashed Brian London to become British champion. Victories followed against Roy Harris and Alex Miteff.

His greatest moment was the flooring of Cassius Clay on June 18, 1963, before Muhammad Ali became world champion. Only four seconds of the fourth round remained when Clay, engaging in typical clowning, was forced on the ropes by Cooper. The British champion's left hook successes are always achieved with his opponent backed on the ropes.

Henry's face was smothered in blood dripping from a long gash above his left eye. Clay was grinning contemptuously. Cooper's gaunt face was tense with anger. Then it happened. Clay moved his head a fraction to slip a straight left and avoid the right cross he expected to follow.

The left hook came instead, and down went Clay, his eyes rolling. He was really hurt. He got up at four as the bell sounded. He was wobbly and bewildered. Angelo Dundee saved him. Angelo ran along the ring on the outside of the ropes and guided his shaky fighter back to the corner where Clay fell onto the stool.

Angelo slapped his face, produced a bottle of smelling salts and showered his head with a cold sponge. After nearly a minute's working on his dazed fighter Dundee discovered that Cassius's glove was split!

Dundee hollered, and kept hollering. He protested to Referee Tommy Little. And he protested to the boxing stewards at the ringside. He gained an extra half minute's valuable rest for his fighter.

Cassius came out for the fifth round with his head clear and all he had to do was jab his left into Cooper's open wounds and it was a question of time. The referee intervened and stopped the fight with Cooper looking as though he worked in an abattoir.

They met again for the world title on May 21, 1966. Cooper couldn't put Clay down again, but he wasn't afraid and went forward all the time but Clay, knowing all about the cuts, jabbed away and cut Cooper and it was all over by the sixth round when the referee again intervened.

At 35, Henry is approaching the twilight of a worthy career. He is respected and liked by everyone. Even the Italian boxing writers have made him their guest of honor for his sportsmanship.

He is assured of a place of honor for the rest of his days. Henry Cooper, O.B.E., was never as great a heavyweight as Clay, but he is much more respected and loved in his own country.

FOSTER'S HEAVY AMBITIONS POSE MAJOR PROBLEM FOR PROMOTERS

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ship affair, announced that he had mailed the British heavyweight title to J. Onslow Fane, and had retained the Empire and European championships for defense at any venue outside of Britain.

This, of course, was a silly move by Cooper and it would not surprise anyone if he changed his mind and were persuaded to keep the British championship after all.

Before long the Garden will have to give Foster a heavyweight shot. The question is, against whom?

There aren't many worthwhile heavyweights who would care to become involved with the light-heavyweight champion. His record against heavyweights is not encouraging. But this man has become a different fighter since he knocked out Dick Tiger for the 175-pound title.

Bob is big enough and strong enough, with advantages in height and reach, to fight heavyweights. Many star heavies of the old days weren't much heavier—in fact, some were lighter than Foster would be for a heavyweight invasion. He would come in close to 180, and Jack Dempsey weighed only 187 for gigantic Jess Willard.

Especially in view of Nino Benvenuti's bad showing against Dick Tiger, talk of a Foster-Benvenuti fight is silly. The middleweight champion would not be likely to make a decent showing, let alone merit a victory chance. Nino would be in serious danger of a knockout.

The world boxing situation from the middleweight class up now is concentrated in New York.

For the classes from welterweight down, the pivotal point would appear to be Los Angeles.

Taking it by and large, the fistic corpus has the right blood pressure, temperature and respiration.

It was pleasant to note how the foes of boxing, so formidable a few years back, had scattered to all points of the compass.

Clarification of the heavyweight championship situation will help boxing all the more powerfully.

MEXICAN FEATHER KING GARCIA UPSETS GOMEZ, TKO IN SIXTH

By Eduardo Amer G.

Monterrey, Nuevo Leon—Vicente García, 126, Mexican featherweight king, upset the bettors when he won from Pedro Gomez, 126, Venezuela, by a TKO in the sixth round.

Arturo Lomeli, 134, lightweight king of Mexico, retained his title by a technical kayo over Fermin Soto, 133, in four. Rocky Garcia, 113, bested Roberto Alvarez, 113, in 10. Chuy Rocha, 118, lost to Rogelio Lara, 117. Promising Clemente Sanchez, 124, iced Raul Vega, 120, in the third roll.

▶ **Merida, Yucatan**—Fermin "Gallego" Gomez, 113, flyweight champion of Mexico, TKOd José Luis "Chamaco" Cetina, 112, in seven rounds. Veteran Bernabe "Babe" Vazquez, 138, TKOd Ray Rodriguez, 140, in eight. "Torero" Bracamontes, 124, and Lobito Lozano, 125, drew in 10. Antonio "Zorrito" Franco, 137, defeated Waldemar Cosgaya, 139, in eight. Andres Medina, 112, TKOd Babe Estrella, 113, in three.

▶ **Mexico, D.F.**—Cruz Martin Marcano, 124, undefeated fighter from Venezuela, easily outpointed Aurelio Muñiz, 125, in 10. Agustin Chavez, 133, stopped Jose Medina, 134, in two. Memo Barrera, 116, outscored Jose Abadiano, 115, in eight. Joaquin Mendez, 120, TKOd Jose Bolin, 122, in two. Javier Rubio, 117, TKOd Tomas Cruz, 116, in two.

▶ **Mexico, D.F.**—Raul Rodriguez, 145, whipped Peter Cobblah, 144, of Ghana, in 10. Nacho Maya, 116, TKOd Rodolfo Aguilar, 117, in four. Chucho Casteñeda, 112, beat Chano Rodriguez, 111, in eight. Blas Arellano, 111, kayoed Esteban Ortiz, 110, in four. Fernando Martinez, 117, bested Antonio Robles, 115, in four.

▶ **Mexico, D.F.**—Memo Vega, 117, won an unpopular decision from Manuel Galvez, 117, in 10. Jorge Reyes, 116, iced Roberto Vazquez, 117, in the opening round. Agustin Martinez, 124, won from Manuel de la Rosa, 125, in a six. Jose Cruz Garcia, 111, lost to Jorge Carrasco, 112, in six. Luis Bautista, 111, TKOd Mario Gil, 111, in four.

▶ **Monterrey, Nuevo Leon**— Mauro Galvan, 145, decisioned Ruben Rivera, 146, in 10. Victor Rocha, 128, stopped Manuel Jaramillo, 127, in three.

▶ **Guadalajara, Jalisco**—Gustavo Garcia, 144, stopped Johnny Gonzalez, 143, in six, TKO.

▶ **Tonala, Ciapas**—Silverio 'Chamaco" Ortiz, 125, featherweight champion of Yucatan, decisioned Ricardo "Pajaro" Moreno, 132, in two.

▶ **Tonala, Chiapas—Silverio** "Chamaco" Ortiz, 125, knocked out Edmundo Perez, 127, in five rounds.

▶ **Tapachula, Chiapas**—Jose Luis "Chamaco" Cetina, 112, beat Juan Cruz, 112, in 10.

▶ **Merida, Yucatan**—Nicolas Sanchez, 136, outpunched Roberto "Cucaracho" Landa, 134, in 10. Pach Camara, 116, bested Johnny Betancourt, 115, in 10. Andres Velazquez, 127, TKOd Joe "Dinamita" Hernandez, 124, in five. Juan Padilla, 125, outscored Rene Arias, 126, in six. Babe San Martin, 124, halted Rolando Casanova, 122, in one.

▶ **Nogales, Sonora**—Ruben Olivares, 120, emasculmed Frank Adame, 118, in three. Antonio Rolan, 127, TKOd Joe Pacheco, 126, in two. Ray Vega, 125, stopped Manuel Tarazon, 124, in five. Jesus Alvarado, 114, halted Chucho Leyva, 113, in three.

▶ **Acapulco, Guerrero**—Sam Chavez, 124, bested Mario "Diabla" Garcia, 125, in 10. Mar Larumbe, 123, TKOd Pio Mendez, 124, in four. "Chanoc" Contreras, 124, won from Felipe Garcia, 123, in six.

▶ **Torreon, Coahuila**—Jose Luis "Maestrito" Lopez, 116, TKOd Paco Pizaña, 114, in six. Nicolas Chiralta, 125, decisioned "Perico" Rivera, 124, in 10. Maclovio Medina, 134, outscored "Tunin" Torres, 132, in eight.

▶ **Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas**—Jose Angel Herrera, 137, beat Marcos Gomez, 140, in 10. Francisco "Chuma" Quiroz, 126, halted Nacho Jimenez, 125, in six. Pablo Montoya, 125, won from Juan Sanchez, 124, in 10.

▶ **Monterrey, Nuevo Leon**—Jose Angel Zamora, 138, stopped Delfino "Fino" Rosales, 125, in four. Jose Eleuterio Luna, 120, outpointed Gustavo Tello, 118, in 10.

▶ **Guadalajara, Jalisco**—Alfredo Landeros, 114, beat Manuel "Manny" Camay, 116, in 10.

▶ **Mexico, D.F.**—Raul Martinez Mora, 119, TKOd Salvador Martinez, 118, in four. Lupe Aguilar, 117, bested Ramon Estrada, 119, in eight. Tomas Arias, 117, halted Placido Gonzalez, 116, in four. Valentin Martinez, 124, whipped Raul Perez, 122, in four.

▶ **Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas**—Raul Soriano, 146, welterweight champion of Mexico, destroyed L. C. Morgan, 145, in only two rounds. Ignacio "Zurdo" Piña, 125, defeated Jose Luis "Frijol" Madrid, 125, in 10. Cesar Desiga, 116, TKO'd Antonio "Peludo" Leal, 115, in eight. Saul Montana, 119, TKOd Jose Angel Hernandez, 120, in one.

▶ **Monterrey, Nuevo Leon**—Manuel Arnal, 117, of Venezuela, outpointed Julio Cesar Segura, 117, in 10.

▶ **Mexico, D.F.**—Clemente Muciño, 125, whipped Panchito Muñoz, 124, in 10. Fernando Fernandez, 116, decisioned Raymundo Cardoso, 117, in 10. Francisco Gomez, a promising flyweight, stopped Raul "Raton" Noria, 117, in five. Arturo Leon, 117, kayoed Jeronimo Ortiz, 113, in three. Memo Hernandez, 133, embalmed Juan Pacheco, 134, in two.

▶ **Guadalajara, Jalisco**—Lupe Carrera, 124, outboxed Manuel "Botas" Gomez, 123, in 10. "Chamaco" Tovar, 111, lost to Chilo Ortega, 112, in 10.

▶ **Mexico, D.F.**—Jaime "Dumbo" Perez, 117, outscored Teofilo Gonzalez, 117, in 10. Blas Arellano, 112, whipped Chano Rodriguez, 111, in eight. Apolinar Lopez, 133, stopped Chucho Hernandez, 130, in two. Rosalio Salazar, 125, nailed Jose Fabian, 123, in four. Jose Luis Martinez, 120, TKOd Florentino Arriaga, 119, in two.

▶ **Merida, Yucatan**—Jose Luis "Chamaco" Cetina, 113, TKOd Daniel "Monito" Paniagua, 115, in five rounds. Manolo Jimenez, 114, lost by a TKO from Al Espiritu, 116, in nine. Rayito de Izamal, 114, decisioned Pantera Casanova, 112, in six. Jose Medina, 110, outpointed Andres Medina, 112, in four. Gallito Lozada, 123, TKOd Luis Muñoz, 123, in three.

▶ **Guaymas, Sonora**—Benny Kid Barra, 151, iced Danny Kramer, 150, U.S.A., in the first round.

▶ **Ensenada, Baja California**—Esteban Favela, 124, stopped Juan Ruiz, 125, in six.

▶ **Oaxaca, Oaxaca**—Julio "Ringo" Romero, 114, embalmed Felix Luna, 116, in three.

▶ **Acapulco, Guerrero**—Alex Olguin, 124, nailed Rosendo Balcazar, 125, in the 10th.

▶ **Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas**—Alberto "Raton" Palacios, 124, TKOd Genaro Alonso, 124, in four. Juan Manuel Ursua, 119, TKOd Pablo Martinez, 121, in five.

▶ **Guadalajara, Jalisco**—Chucho Almazan, 135, technically kayoed Mario Diaz, 135, in six. Crisanto Valenzuela, 137, beat Felipe Vaca, 140, in 10.

▶ **Monterrey, Nuevo Leon**—"Diabla" Salazar, 119, stopped Santos Luna, 118, in six. Guillermo Rodriguez, 134, defeated Manolo Longoria, 132, in a 10.

▶ **Guaymas, Sonora**—Juan Tapia, 133, stopped Juan "Niño" Tapiz, 133, in two. Ernesto Tapiz, 124, halted Chucho Aguilar, 123, in four.

▶ **Mexico, D.F.**—Felipe Torres, 124, bested Ray Vega, 125, in 10. Mauro Trejo, 123, TKOd Javier Palencia, 125, in two. Pancho Martinez, 125, outpointed Rafael Resendiz, 125, in eight. Tomas Ochoa, 117, TKOd Jose Sanchez, in five. Chano Bustos, 116, TKOd Erasmo Sanchez, 117, in three.

CALDERON STOPS FERNANDEZ IN THIRD ROUND AT HONOLULU

By Ted Yamachika

Honolulu, Hawaii — Leo Calderon, 120½, proved himself king of the bantams, as well as the feathers, at least in Honolulu, by chilling Bernabe Fernandez, 122, Philippines, in the third round of a scheduled 10-round fight before a sellout crowd of 8,362 fans who paid $49,177.50 at the Honolulu International Center Arena. Calderon comes from Mexico but makes his home in Honolulu.

The expected hard fight between these two failed to materialize and became a rout, instead. The first hard punch Calderon landed, late in the first, floored Fernandez and nearly ended the fight. The bell saved Fernandez. He survived the second round by keeping a respectable distance. But when he tried to get closer in the third, he was finished off pronto.

The other tenner was also a disappointment in that Adolph Pruitt, 139, Los Angeles, was too much for Rocky Medrano, 139½, Pasadena, Calif., as he polished off the junior welterweight without any trouble in the second round. The fight was strictly no contest.

Kazumichi Hayashi, 130¾, Japan, beat Jose Menchaca, 138½, Mexico, four, and Francisco Lopez, 127¼, Mexico, knocked out Tomas Arididon, 126¾, Philippines, in the fourth.

Curly Aguirre, 135¾, Philippines, beat Calvin Rivera, 136½, Honolulu, four. Noel Morales, 121¼, Philippines, decisioned Pajarito Morales, 120¾, Mexico, four.

▶ Rene Barrientos, 134¼, Philippines, disposed of Len Kesey, 133¼, Eugene, Oregon, in the ninth round of a scheduled tenner. Barrientos displayed a fancy style but not much of a punch. That he was able to score a knockout was the result of several one-twos in succession. Kesey was floored twice in the eighth for automatic eight counts. When he came out for the ninth he was still weak and a ready victim for a knockout which soon followed.

The Boxing Enterprises promoted card drew 5207 fans and grossed $34,304.00.

The companion tenner turned into a bad match when Jose Luis Pimental, 125½, Los Angeles, scored a TKO over Raul Carreon, 127, Phoenix, Ariz., in the sixth round. In the sixth, Carreon first complained of being hit low but when referee Wilbert Minn ignored him he quit fighting then and there.

Shintaro Uchiyama, 123, Japan, knocked out Tomas Arididon, 129, Philippines, in the fourth.

Kazumichi Hayashi, 132, Japan, was held to a draw by Nester Arididon, Philippines, 132½, five rounds.

Saburo Hitomi, 134¼, Japan, beat Jose Menchaca, 135, Mexico, five rounds. Baby Casanova, 130, Mexico, decisioned James Costa, 132, Honolulu, four.

▶ Ricardo Arredonde, 127, Mexico, pounded out a unanimous 10-round decision over Flash Besande, 127, at Civic Auditorium. The Mexican veteran of 43 fights, although only 19, proved too fast and ringwise for Besande.

In a companion tenner Kazuhiro Sawaguchi, 138¾, Japan, pulled a surprise by knocking out highly favored Jerry Stokes, 133, Los Angeles, in the second.

The GREAT DAYS of the PRIZE RING

by Walter Galli

AUG. 16, 1743

This is ONE of the more important dates in BOXING history - JACK BROUGHTON introduced his "*Rules of the Prize Ring*" - the CODE which was to GOVERN Boxing for 95 YEARS !.. *London*

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

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Bohumil Nemechek, light-welterweight from Czechoslovakia, has turned professional under Austrian manager, Hans Jakubek.

FRANCE

▶ **Paris**—Jean Josselin, France, dethroned European welterweight champion, Silvano Bertini, Italy, who was forced to retire after only 40 seconds of round eight because of a cut left eye. The laceration needed seven stitches. Josselin and Bertini forgot defense and made a slugging match of it. Josselin built up a lead and it was no surprise when German referee Hans Halbach called a halt on the advice of the ring doctor. Each weighed 148 pounds.

This is the second time the European title has changed hands this year. Fighting Mack, Holland, was pushed off his throne by Bertini in January.

▶ **Paris**—Welterweight. Yvon Mariolle outscored pointed Abdel Blidi, eight.
Joseph Heirman, eight.

▶ **Dunkirk**—Bantamweight. Francia Payelle out-

▶ **Lens**—Welterweight. Gerard Thomas outscored Marcel Millieu, 10.

▶ **Paris**—5,000 at the Sportpalast paid 190,000 Francs and saw middleweight Jean Claude Bouttier, France, lose a 10-rounder to De Lima. Middleweight. Jacky Marty, France, stopped Jacky Ben Lachemi, KO three. Middleweight. Nessim Cohen, beat Jean Baptiste Rolland, TKO seven. Featherweight. D. Pesenti lost to Abd Fakhy, TKO eightt .Welterweight. R. Menetry beat S. Lellouche, KO five.

▶ **Vitry**—Lightweight. Jean De Keersmaecker decisioned Henri Nesi, 10.

▶ **Blois**—Middleweight. Lionel Cuypers outpointed "Emile" OK Griffith, eight.

▶ **Fort de France**—Lightweight. Roger Zami beat Jerry Wells, KO six. Middleweight. Willie Warren stopped Daniel Leuillier, TKO three.

▶ **Marseilles**—Welterweight. Serafino Lucherini stopped Baldassari Picone, TKO five. Featherweight. Jean Paul Anton beat Werner Blanquet, TKO five. Middleweight. Pascal Di Benedetto decisioned Jean Tsikuna, eight.

▶ **Dunkirk**—Bantamweight. Marc Vandomme knocked out Daniel Ringuet in the seventh. Welterweight. Robert Gallois beat Guy Vercoutter, TKO three.

▶ **St. Didier**—Welterweight. Moses Adigun beat Jean Claude Bouchet, TKO three.

▶ **Blois**—Middleweight. Emile OKE beat Victor Emmanuelo, TKO six.

▶ **St. Jean De Lux**—Lightweight. Paul Rourre outpointed Salah Laroussi, 10. Heavyweight. Jose Manuel Urtain knocked out Valere Mahau, in the second.

▶ **Paris**—Heavyweight. Carl Gizzi, Wales, beat Bernard Thebault. The referee stopped it in round four. The loser had a cut eye.

▶ **Noeux**—Welterweight. Gerard Thomas stopped Gilbert Pabiem, TKO nine.

▶ **St. Nazaire**—Featherweight. Roland Cazeaux outpointed Jacques Goquet, eight.

▶ **Annecy**—Welterweight. Roger Menetrey beat Francesco De Angelis, TKO four. Lightweight. Abdou Fakyh outscored Gabriel Locatelli, 10.

▶ **Rheims**—Welterweight. Robert Gallois knocked out Sylvain Lucchesi in the third

ITALY

▶ **Reggio Calabria**—The bout for the European bantamweight title between Salvatore Burruni, Italy, and Frenchman Pierre Vetroff has been reported briefly here. The doctor stopped the fight in the ninth. Vetroff could not continue due to his cut eyebrow. The champion weighed 118 and the challenger was a quarter of a pound lighter. Vetroff insisted he had been butted. Both fighters will soon hang up their gloves.

▶ **Padua**—Middleweight. Luciano Sarti outpointed Cosimo Oggiano, 10.

▶ **Amcena**—Welterweight. Massimo Consolati and Piero Ceru drew in eight.

▶ **Troyes**—Middleweight. William Poitriquol outpointed Claude Courteille, eight.

▶ **Milan**—Welterweight. Sandro Lopopolo decisioned Sylvain Lucchesi, eight. Carmelo Bossi outscored Klaus Klein, Germany, eight.

▶ **Rome**—Featherweight. Tommaso Galli drew with Bob Allotey, eight. Lightweight. Enzo Petriglia beat Gerard Szyjka, TKO two.

▶ **Naples**—European middleweight champion Carlos Duran, Italy, outpointed Antonio Aguilar, Argentina, in a non-title affair over eight hard rounds before a crowd of 5,000. Round one saw the champion have a rough time. Super welterweight. Dario Benvenuti, brother of world champion, Nino, outscored Roberto Pegoli, eight. Luigi Patruno beat Mario Lamagna, TKO three, to win the vacant middleweight crown.

▶ **Rome**—3,000 in the Sportpalast cheered Piero Baruzzu on to win his fourth heavyweight professional bout at the expense of Paul Kraus, whom he KOd with a right to the chin. Georgio Bambini, Italy, won his fourth pro contest in the second frame over Franklin Arrindel, Holland.

▶ **Rome**—Featherweight. Marius Cordier outpointed Nevio Carbi, eight.

▶ **Milan**—4,000 saw three former Italian European champions at the Sportpalast. Carmelo Bossi, welterweight, decisioned Ferdinand Ahume, Nigeria, eight. Sandro Lopopolo, super welterweight, outscored El Harici, Tunis, eight. The former champion was decked in round three. Piero del Papa, light heavyweight, stopped Van Duivenbode in five.

▶ **Turin**—Lightweight. Italo Biscotti beat Pietro Ziini, TKO eight. Flyweight. Michele Spina and Giuseppe Luciano drew in 10.

▶ **Sassari**—Lightweight Antonio Puddu decisioned Karl Furcht, Germany, eight. Bantamweight. Carmelo Massa outscored Wellington Vilella, eight.

▶ **Rome**—Heavyweight. Giorgio Bambini beat Franklin Arrindel, TKO two. Heavyweight. Mario Baeruzzi beat Pauly Kraus, TKO two. Welterweight. Dario Benvenuti decisioned Alvaro Pegoli, eight.

▶ **Naples**—Welterweight. Gianni Zampieri beat Jean Desmarias, TKO three. Featherweight. Elio Cotena beat Akli Chikki, TKO three.

▶ **Forli**—Middleweight. Sauro Soprani outpointed Tommaso Ruppi, 10. Welterweight. Pietro Vargellini outscored Giovanni Murgia, eight.

▶ **Piacenza**—Featherweight. Augusto Civardi beat Antoine Porcel, TKO three.

▶ Rome—Italo Duranti beat Carmelo Chessa, TKO five. Welterweight. Robert Sagrazzutti beat Mohamed Touatti, TKO five.

AUSTRIA

▶ **Vienna**—11,000 witnessed Hans Rottensteiner's European light middleweight championship fight between champion Remo Golfarini, Italy, and challenger Peter Marklewitch, Austria, at the Sport Hall. The fight was far too soon for the local who did not have one of his best nights.

The bout was stopped by referee Harry Gibbs, Britain, at a stage when Marklewitch was bleeding badly from a cut above the left eyelid. This prevented him from answering the call for round 10. Turk Cemal Kamaci KOd rated Willi Quatuor in six with a left hook to the chin, and ruined Willi's chance of a second shot at the European title held by Bruno Arcari. Middleweight. Matthias Rosenitsch, Austria, KOd Werner Mundt, Germany, six. German middleweight champion Hans Dieter Schwartz scored a one-round victory over Michael Blinker, Holland. Austrian Helmut Stary shared a six-rounder with Italo Duranti, Italy. This was Golfarini's first defense since he won the crown in November last year.

SPAIN

▶ **Madrid**—Lightweight. Miguel Velazquez beat Tomas Castuera, TKO three. Welterweight. Roque Canadas beat Aunrello Niza, TKO three. Lightweight. Segu Valli decisioned Joa Martin, eight. Mariano Perez outscored Juan Crespo, eight.

▶ **Vittoria**—Middleweight. Luis Folledo beat Moore Day, who was disqualified in round five. Manuel Larraza decisioned Sugar Boy Hassan, eight. Featherweight. San Roman outpointed Tony Herrera, eight.

▶ **Malaga**—Lightweight. Pedro Carrasco, European lightweight champion, beat Ould Makloufi, KO five, in a non-title affair. Welterweight. Johnny White decisioned Yanclo II, eight. Jesus Arjona outpointed Pascual Olivan, eight.

▶ **Gigon**—Bantamweight. Jose Bisbal beat Alaba Omole, KO three. Rodolfo Garcia decisioned Kid Miller, eight. Middleweight. Tony Rios and Jose Iturry heard their contest declared void in frame five.

▶ **Madrid**—Luis Aisa decisioned Jose Arranz, 12, to win the vacant national featherweight title. European featherweight champion Manuel Calvo decisioned Kouider Meftah in a non-title 10. Heavyweight. Jose Urtain, Spain, beat Johnny Romsaas, TKO two.

▶ **Barcelona**—In the Gran Prace Sport Hall, German champion Klaus Jacoby lost to European lightweight king Pedro Carrasco, Spain, KO two, before a capacity crowd. No title at stake. Heavyweight Joe Shelton, U.S.A., outpointed the national champion, San Jose, in 10 rounds. Jose was decked in five. Welterweight. Angel Guinaldo drew in an eight-frame bout with Antonio Torres. Bantamweight. Agustin Senin beat Antonio Garcia. TKO two.

▶ **Madrid**—Welterweight. Tony Ortiz outscored Barrera Corpas, eight. Jose Duran outpointed Rocky Canada, eight. Lightweight. Andres Martin decisioned Jose Maria Rey, eight. Welterweight. Carlos San Jose beat Segu Valli, TKO two. Featherweight. Toti Martin beat Guillermo Barriento, TKO five.

▶ **Vitoria**—Welterweight. Jose Duran decisioned Adisa, eight.

GERMANY

▶ **Kelkheim**—Super welterweight. Helmut Schmidt decisioned Joachim Trautwein, six. Heavyweight. Mecki Friedrich beat Freddie Hubert, Belgium, KO one. Super welterweight. Horst Brinkmeier outscored Manfred Lessmann, four. Conny Velensek beat Karl Brunnholzl, KO seven. Werner Mundt beat Georges Fabbrie, Belgium, KO one.

FINLAND

▶ **Tampere**—Tampere, the third largest town in Finland had its first professional card in three years. 3,000 came. Ingemar Johansson refereed. Harri Piitulainen beat Piero Tirlo, KO one. Taisto M. Maki, drew six, with Detlef Naseband, Germany. Heavyweight. Raimo Nisula beat Lion Ven, TKO eight. Ray Patterson beat Macan Kelta on points, eight.

HOLLAND

▶ Rotterdam—Joop Verbon drew in a 10-rounder with Bob Cofie and did not beat him, as previously reported.

McGRANDLE MOVING ALONG ● BUT IT'S NO PATH OF ROSES ●

By Jacques A. H. Tachauer

Edmonton, Alberta—Billy McGrandle continues to progress along the bantamweight trail and lately he's been on a diet of Mexican dishes. First his handlers served up Jose Valdez, La Mesa, Baja, California, and Billy edged out a close split decision over 10 rounds.

Next, Rafael Raul Herrera, Los Angeles, pitted his skills against the 21year-old blond and provided a real stiff test, gaining a 10-round draw. Herrera weighed 119½ and McGrandle 121½.

The Edmonton boy is now 17 wins, 2 losses, and 1 draw.

The prelims of the Valdez-McGrandle show saw Bobby Williams, Memphis, Tenn. register a fifth round TKO over Billy Marsh, Las Vegas. Marsh was cut badly around the eye, ending the bout. Kalman Santosi, 149, Vancouver, B.C., hated Wayne Mayes, 146, Edmonton, in the second heat. Serge Proulx, 148, Montreal, chilled Les Vegas, 146, Vancouver, in 30 seconds of round four.

The undercard of the Herrera-McGrandle match saw unbeaten Canadian lightweight champion Al Ford, 133½, Edmonton, stop Jean Marie Huard, 136½, Montreal, in 54 seconds of round two. Luigi Aprile, Montreal, won a unanimous four-round decision over Eddie Krobel, Edmonton. Luigi Calavita, Montreal, scored a TKO over Charles Jefferson, Proenix, Arizona, at 1:30 of the third heat. Both bouts were in the middleweight class.

BOBBY RODRIGUEZ SPLITS TWO ● FIGHTS, IN L.A. AND TEXAS ●

By George D. Blair

Minneapolis, Minn.—Featherweight Bobby Rodriguez dropped two bouts recently, losing a 10-round verdict to Baby Cassius in Los Angeles, and being stopped in the first round by Baby Luis in San Antonio. Rodriguez's record stands at 20 and 3.

▶ The Pat O'Connor-Duane Horsman rematch set for St. Paul was cancelled due to an injury to O'Connor's right hand, suffered in the first match with Horsman.

▶ Interest is high regarding Tom Van Hoof, amateur light heavyweight from Winona. Van Hoof won the Upper Midwest title and went to the semi-finals of the National in Kansas City, losing to Dave Matthews of Akron. Van Hoof then went to the finals of the AAU in San Diego, losing a split decision to Matthews.

▶ St. Thomas College in St. Paul recently conducted a student boxing program that ran over a three-day period. The college boys put on some interesting bouts, with school champions crowned.

▶ Tommy Anderson has been granted a franchise to promote in Minneapolis. Anderson promoted for a number of years in the Mill City, giving up the franchise in 1965. Tommy, owner of the Tempo Restaurant in Minneapolis also held the St. Paul franchise in 1965.

THE BRITISH ISLES

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Peter Cragg, Luton, Southern Area welterweight champion, got off the canvas in the first round to pummel John Tiger, Nigeria, to defeat in the third when the latter was forced to take three counts before the referee intervened.

Pat Paine, Dagenham,W stopped Roger Howes, Norwich, in the fourth of a featherweight contest.

Dave Proud, Penge, stopped Pat Marshall, Bristol welter, in the fourth.

Brian Whelan, Luton, outpointed Dave Evans, Birmingham, in a welterweight six.

Paul Cassidy, Bournemouth heavy, outpointed Albert Austin, Jamaica, in a six.

▶**World Sporting Club, London**—Walter McGowan, former world flyweight champion, 119¼, was in brilliant form against French featherweight champion Michel Houdeau, 125½, and outsped and outpunched his opponent. McGowan's left hook to the body and head, had the Frenchman at sea.

The bout ended in the fourth when referee Bill White went over to his corner to inspect the damaged eye of Houdeau, and terminated the bout.

It was announced that two members of the club were willing to post £10,000 as a side stake for a match with Johnny Famechon.

A cut eye in the last minute of a scheduled eight cost Dickie Owens, Reading, his contest against Ray Brittle, Southall, 1968 ABA cruiserweight champion.

From the start, they went at it hammer and tongs, with Owens taking a good points lead. Brittle made headway in the sixth and seventh, till a head clash in the last round saw Owens emerge with a long cut on his left eyebrow. Referee Bill White ordered them to box on. Soon after White declared Brittle the winner.

Johnny Cheshire, London, 137, was in devastating form against Paul Bromley, Birmingham, 136. The bout lasted only 1:55 of the first round and in that brief time Bromley was forced to take every kind of punch, and was in no position to defend himself. Referee Robert Irvine stepped in to save Bromley from further punishment.

Al White, Forest Hill, 135½, outpointed Winston Thomas, St. Pancras, 134¾, in eight. White received a cut eye.

Dennis Avoth, Cardiff, 199½, outpointed Jack Cotes, Derbys, 195, in a six.

▶**National Sporting Club, London**—It was Scottish Night at the club. Matt Busby was the guest of honor.

Southpaw Jimmy Bell, Kilmarnock, 126, who turned professional in Australia, beat Hugh Baxter, Glasgow, 126, over 10 rounds.

Bell's right piled up the points, with Baxter finishing strongly. He received a cut eye which referee Benny Caplan inspecte,d and allowed the contest to continue, with the decision going to Bell by 49½ to 49.

Jackie Gilmour, Glasgow, and Ray Fallone, Battersea, drew in a welterweight six.

▶**Paris**—Carl Gizzi, Welsh heavyweight champion, 204, having his first outing since losing to Jack Bodell with a cut eye, made a good impression when he stopped Bernard Theaudault, 201, in the fourth. A right hook cut the latter's eye badly.

▶**Shoreditch**—Chris Finnegan, Hayes, Olympic Gold Medalist, 162¾, had his unbeaten record marred when he was stopped in the second round by Danny Ashie, New Cross, 160½.

Early in the second round a long left caught Finnegan on the right side of the head, and as they came out of a clinch, Finnegan had a cut eye. Referee Harry Humphries took one look at the damage and stopped the contest.

Bernie Terrell, Edmonton, stopped Fred Jackson, in the third of a welterweight contest. Right! A cut eye brought about this closure.

Tony Humm, Tottenham, stopped Joey Wright, Coventry, in the sixth of a bantamweight contest.

Eamon Cole, Stepney, stopped Mahammed Bila, Ghana, in the first of a lightweight bout.

Brian Whelan, Luton, outpointed Dave Evans, Birmingham, in six.

Stan Miles, Sevenoakes, stopped Rod Griffiths, Jamaica, in the first with a cut eye in a middleweight contest.

▶**Solihull**—John McCluskey, Hamilton, British flyweight champion, 111¾, retained his title with a 13th round win over Tony Barlow, Manchester, 109¾, when referee Roland Dakin intervened to save Barlow from further punishment.

Barlow won applause from the crowd in the early part of the contest, when he had a good points lead, but the Scot took the initiative from the ninth after receiving a cut eye.

This did not deter him from dealing out punishment to little Barlow. In the 13th, a combination had Barlow in trouble. He was forced to take a count of eight. He arose unsteady, so the referee intervened against the protests of Barlow.

Bunny Johnson, Birmingham, outpointed Dennis Avoth, Cardiff, in a heavyweight eight.

Andy Pease, Huthwaite, outpointed Panther Cyril, Biafra, in a welterweight eight.

Dave Hawkes, Farnham, 173, stopped Dave Barnes, Helston, 175, in the fourth, when the latter retired at the end of the round.

▶**Bedford**—Billy Wynter, Antigua, turned the tables on Charlie White, Loughborough heavy, by gaining a points decision after eight rounds.

At their previous meeting it was White that won in the seventh owing to Wynter receiving a cut eye, but on this meeting, there was no damage to either man, although plenty of heavy punching was seen. Referee Doug Jenkins scored them 39¾ to 39.

Geoff Williams, Hoxton, outpointed Jose Cascales, Northampton, in a lightweight six.

Mickey Jay, London, outpointed Joe Cassell, Highbury, in a middleweight six.

Vernon Shaw, London, 162, sprang a surprise in the fifth on Ade Ajasco, Nigeria, 161½, who was well ahead on points. Ade was forced to take six but the referee continued to count to eight and then stopped the fight.

▶**Manchester**—Recently, Barry Calderwood, Manchester, 149, was awarded a points decision over Frank Young, Belfast, 148½, and it was met with derision. In a return, the verdict went to the Irishman after a thrilling battle over eight rounds. Referee Wally Thom's decision by 39½ to 39, was again hotly disputed, and a rubber match was made on the spot.

Gary Yean, Liverpool, 124, outpointed Sonny McNorthey, Ghana, 124, in six. Referee score was 30-28½. Since coming to Europe, he has a 100% record of losses in 14 bouts.

▶The passing of Arthur Goodwin at the age of 79 brought back memories of his younger years when he trained such notable British boxers as Joe Beckett, Don Cockell, Nel Tarleton, Peter Kane, Ronnie Clayton, Tommy McGovern and Terry Allen. In his later years he was one of the official corner men at the National Sporting Club.

▶**National Sporting Club, London**—Maxie Smith, Royal Marines, 175, enhanced his reputation with a second-round win over Frank Poleon, Birmingham, 176. The bout was stopped at 1:57.

It was a one-sided contest. In the first, the tall Marine sent Poleon down for counts of three and five.

As they came out for the second, Poleon tried to take the initiative, but a right to the jaw and a couple of left hooks to he head had Frank on queer street before referee Harry Gibbs intervened.

Vic Paul, Nigeria, outpointed Al White, Forest Hill, in a lightweight eight.

▶Ron Hough, Liverpool, 163, outpointed Louis Onwuna, Nigeria, 163¼, in a hard-hitting six.

Pat Mahoney, Cardiff, 162, stopped Peter Carson, Paddington, 164, in the first.

▶**Anglo-American Sporting Club, London**—Jimmy Revie, Stockwell, 127¼, British featherweight champion, showed his class in scoring a spectacular KO win over Messaoud Boussaboua, Algeria, 122.

Southpaw Revie ended the one-sided contest at 1:47 of the sixth, with a right to the jaw.

Boussaboua was out before he hit the deck.

Referee Bill Williams managed to part them, but was caught up by the arms of the fallen boxer, Williams continued to count the fatal 10 in the mixup.

Brian Hudson, Woodford, 133, won the vacant lightweight title of the Southern Area with a third-round KO over Jackie Lee, Shoreditch, 133¼, after 1:57 of the round.

Early in the third, Hudson suffered a cut eye which made him put forth all his efforts to end the contest. This paid off.

Ricky Porter, Swindon, outpointed John Charles, Finchley, in a welterweight six.

Pat Pain, Dagenham, stopped Joe Bwala, Nigeria, in the third of a lightweight contest.

▶**Johannesburg**—Dick Duffy, Cardiff, ran into Willie Ludick's left hook early in their scheduled 10-rounder, and after taking several counts, the Welshman was counted out in the sixth.

▶**Walworth**—The annual boxing show for the Mayor of Southark's Fund for the aged was a huge success. John "Young" McCormack, Brixton, 172½, defeated Lloyd Walford, Chesterfield, 177½, in the sixth when referee Benny Caplan intervened. The public was bored by the wrestling show that these cruiserweights put on.

Pat McCormack, Dublin, 138½, and Lex Hunter, Bermondsey, 140, fought their hearts out without a clinch, and the house rose to these two at the conclusion. The referee intervened with Hunter's left eye closed.

Hunter later was brought into the ring to have it announced that he was retiring.

Pat Mahoney, Cardiff, 166½, and Graham Stuart, New Cross, 171½, fought a sizzler, with the decision of referee Mike Jacobs going to Mahoney at the end of six rounds.

Danny Fontillo, Bermondsey, 162, beat Vernon Shaw, Eltham, 162½, in six.

Geoff Williams, Jamaica, 134½, and Bill Kotey, Ghana, 134, fought a draw.

▶**Albert Hall, London**—Johnny Famechon outpointed Jimmy Anderson in a non-title 10 rounds. Mark Rowe outpointed Doug Hintley, U.S.A., in a middleweight eight. Joe Bugner, young heavyweight hope, got more points than Tony Venyura, U.S.A., in an eight.

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HEAVYWEIGHTS
1. Henry Cooper (E)
2. George Chuvalo (C)
3. Jack Bodell (E)
4. Brian London (E)
5. Bob Cleroux (C)
6. Carl Gizzi (W)
7. Roger Tighe (E)
8. Roy Enifer (E)
9. Rocky Campbell (Gu)
10. Joe Bugner (E)

CRUISERWEIGHTS
1. Dick Tiger (Bia)
2. Bob Dunlop (A)
3. Eddie Avoth (W)
4. John McCormack (E)
5. Leweni Waqa (Fi)
6. Milo Calhoun (J)
7. Dickie Owens (E)
8. Ray Brittle (E)
9. Lloyd Walford (J)
10. Roy Thurger (A)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
1. Johnny Pritchett (E)
2. Les McAteer (E)
3. Wally Swift (E)
4. Gomeo Brennan (Ba)
5. Lionel Ifill (Gu)
6. Mark Rowe (E)
7. Bunny Sterling (J)
8. Harry Scott (E)
9. Roy Beekin (A)
10. Fred Taupola (NZ)

WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Ralph Charles (E)
2. Lennox Beckles (Gu)
3. Joey Durelle (C)
4. Chuck Henderson (E)
5. Obletty Commey (G)
6. Peter Coblah (G)
7. Castors Abbey (G)
8. Johnny Cooke (E)
9. Teddy Meho (G)
10. Peter Cragg (E)

Jr. WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Vic Andreetti (E)
2. Maurice Cullen (E)
3. Des Rea (I)
4. Don McMillan (S)
5. Pat McCormack (I)
6. Bobby Arthur (E)
7. Billy Seasman (E)
8. Jackie Turpin (E)
9. Al Breau (C)
10. Colin Fraser (C)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Ken Buchanan (S)
2. Percy Hayles (J)
3. Bunny Grant (J)
4. Ray Adigun (N)
5. Joe Tetteh (G)
6. Brian Hudson (E)
7. Jim McCormack (I)
8. Len Gillis (C)
9. Al Ford (C)
10. Arthur Bradley (A)

Jr. LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Jimmy Anderson (E)
2. Love Allotey (G)
3. Brian Cartwright (E)
4. Gilberto Biondi (A)
5. George O'Neill (E)
6. Terry Ball (A)
7. Brian Dalby (A)
8. Jimmy Bell (S)
9. Colin Lake (E)
10. Laurence Hafey (C)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
1. Jimmy Revie (E)
2. Billy McGrandle (C)
3. Toro George (NZ)
4. John O'Brien (S)
5. Reg Gullefer (E)
6. Brian Packer (E)
7. Billy Hardacre (E)
8. Bobby Fisher (S)
9. Jim McAuley (I)
10. Sean McCafferty (I)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
1. Alan Rudkin (E)
2. Walter McGowan (S)
3. Johnny Clark (E)
4. Evan Armstrong (S)
5. Glyn Davies (W)
6. Bob Allotey (G)
7. Patrick Mambwe (Z)
8. Don Weller (E)
9. Noel Kunde (A)
10. Tony Humm (E)

FLYWEIGHTS
1. John McCluskey (S)
2. Tony Barlow (E)
3. Tony Williams (W)
4. Alex Martin (C)
5. George Hind (S)
6. Art Hafey (C)
7. Bill Amos (Z)
8. Kid Miller (Z)

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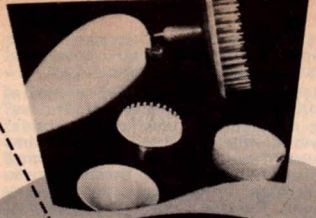

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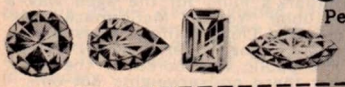

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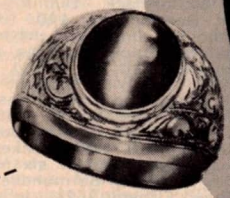

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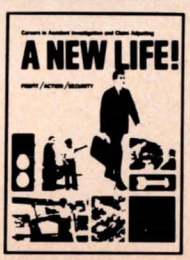

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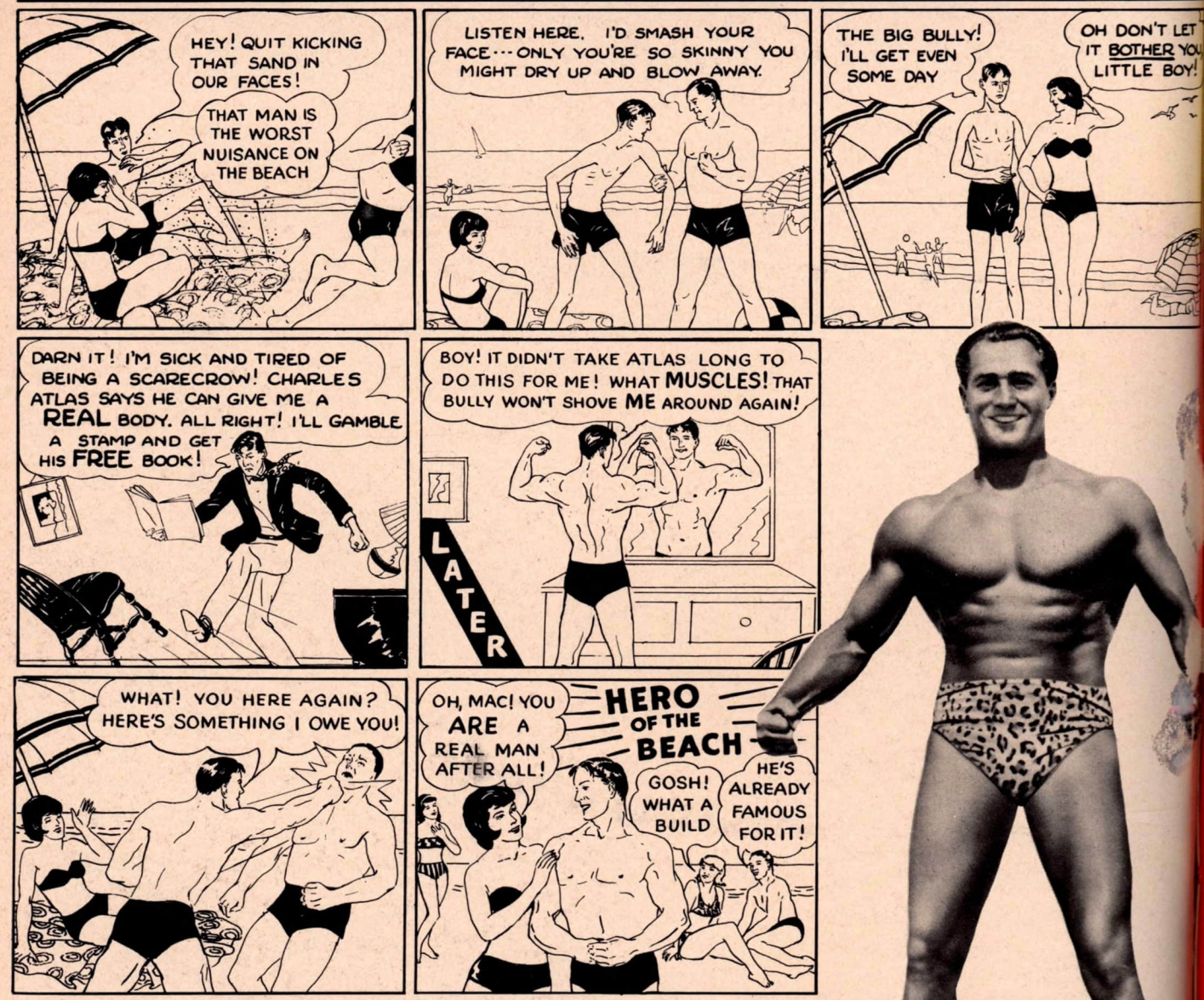

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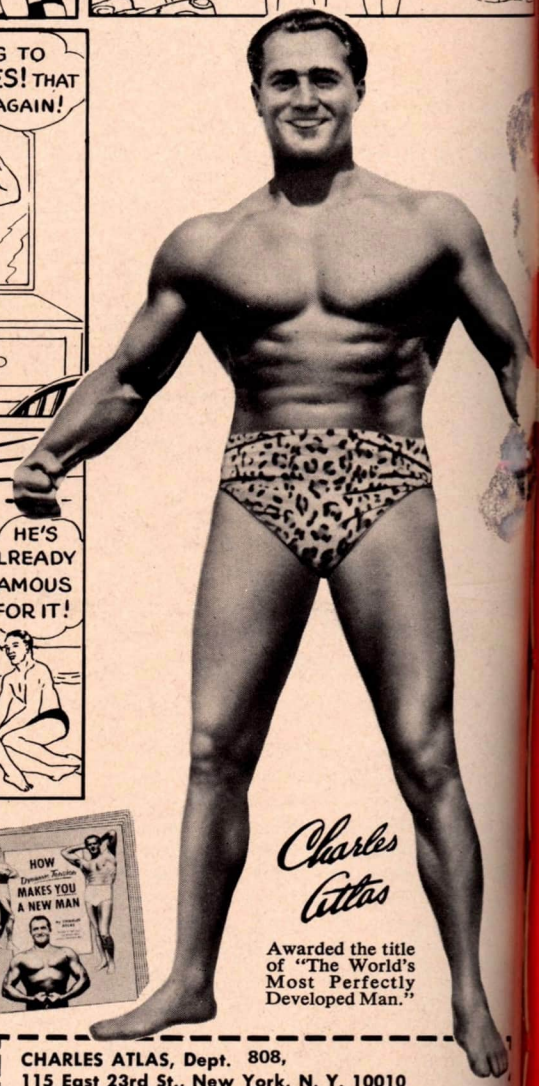

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